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## TOKYO BELIEVES EUROPEAN 'SHOW-DOWN' SET FOR MAR. 26

### IMPORTANT PRONOUNCEMENT PREPARED BY MUSSOLINI

ROME, MAR. 11.  
THE STRAINED ATMOSPHERE OVER THE EUROPEAN POLITICAL  
SITUATION WILL, IT IS BELIEVED, COME TO A "SHOWDOWN"  
WHEN THE FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL MEETS ON MARCH 26 TO  
CELEBRATE THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS ORGANISATION.

Climaxing the recent large-scale mobilisation of troops, Premier Benito Mussolini is expected to make an important declaration on Italy's diplomatic policies vis-a-vis the civil war in Spain and colonial problems.

#### COLONIAL LEADERS IN ROME

Back here on urgent summons of Premier Mussolini, the Viceroy of Abyssinia, the Duke of Aosta, Marshal Italo Balbo, Governor-General of Libya, and Marshal Badoglio, who recently reviewed the Italian forces in Libya, on Friday night attended the Supreme Military Council at Palazzo Venezia.

#### GERMANY'S TURN TO WORRY

#### Wave Of Armaments Come Over World

BERLIN, Mar. 12.  
WHAT GERMANY needs at the present time is peace, declared Admiral Raeder, addressing a big audience, which included Herr Adolf Hitler, at the Opera House celebration of Heroes' Memorial Day.

"There are signs that mischievous hands are at work to undermine this new peace which we obtained. A wave of armaments has come over the world, the gigantic extent of which, in connection with irresponsible war agitation, might kill or seriously jeopardise all that has been achieved with so much trouble.

#### "DON'T BLAME US"

"We deny nobody the right to take measures for security, but we cannot remain inactive if Germany is represented as solely responsible for the gigantic armament measures, or if it is suggested that Germany alone has the intention of attacking her neighbours.

"Germany's work of reconstruction needs many years of quiet development.

"When the hope of real appeasement arose in the past year, the armaments pace of others only increased.

"Where we have achieved a lead in armaments, it shall be held. Where there is a deficiency, it shall be made up.

"Germany is the protector of all Germans on this side of, and beyond our frontiers."—Reuter.

Mrs. T. E. Pearce has been appointed Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council during the absence of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.

## 25 WARSHIPS IN TEST OF SINGAPORE DEFENCE

About 25 warships of the China and East Indies Stations—cruisers, destroyers, submarines, an escort vessel and an aircraft carrier—will take part in manoeuvres off the coast of Singapore this month during which the fixed defences of the fortresses will be tested.

They began last week when the destroyers Duncan, Delight, Duchess and Diamond manoeuvred stealthily without lights in Singapore waters, after their arrival from Hongkong.

The naval exercises will culminate in an "attack" on Singapore early on Friday morning, during Singapore's first compulsory black-out.

Select warplanes and troops of the garrison will take part in the exercises.

#### CRUISE TO STRAITS PORTS

The four destroyers are making a cruise in Malacca Straits ports.

The four destroyers will return to Singapore to-day, when the cruisers Manchester and Norfolk from the East Indies Station will arrive at Singapore from Rangoon and the submarines Orpheus and Proteus will arrive after carrying out exercises in the Malacca Straits.

On the 14th, the fleet of Netherlands Indies ships, the Medway and the escort vessel Fulham, will end their Singapore stay on Mar. 20.

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#### Chinese Envoys In Kowloon



MR. C. T. WANG, recently Chinese Ambassador to the United States, photographed at his home in Kowloon. With Mr. Wang is Mr. S. Y. Hsu, who was Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo until his recall by the Chinese Government.

#### GAVE NEWS TO WORLD H.K. Cable "Scoop" Recalled By Visit

MEET THE American news-paperman who scored the Far East's greatest news scoop of the nineteenth century.

With the military measures concluding in the coming fortnight, Premier Benito Mussolini is believed to make definite pronouncements on the European situation at the forthcoming Council session.

Mr. Harden is revisiting Hongkong, 41 years after he lodged a cablegram in this Colony telling the first story of Admiral Dewey's victory in Manila Bay.

Accompanied by Mrs. Harden, the veteran correspondent is making an air trip around the world, duplicating at a faster pace a journey he made in 1898.

#### SAW BATTLE

Mr. Harden was aboard one of Dewey's ships during the Battle of Manila Bay and his 50-word message to the New York "World" and the Chicago "Tribune" was the first authentic account of the battle to reach the United States, six days after the battle. But his message arrived six hours ahead of Admiral Dewey's.

#### EXPENSIVE CABLE

The cables between Manila and Hongkong were cut before the battle began on Sunday, May 1, 1898. After the battle, Admiral Dewey despatched a ship to Hongkong with his message. Correspondent Harden was aboard that ship.

Arriving at Hongkong, the young newsman wrote a brief account of the battle and marked it "urgent." At that time the rate was \$3.00 a word, three times the ordinary rate.

Admiral Dewey sent what is known as a "replay" message for greater accuracy, and as a result Harden's message reached the States ahead of the admirals.

The New York "World" and other newspapers within the syndicate for which Harden was working had the news of the American victory on Saturday morning, May 7.

#### MADRID RUMOUR

Before the cables were cut, the Spanish forces in Manila had sent a message to Madrid saying that there had been a battle in which several American ships were destroyed.

As a matter of fact, Dewey's message reached the States ahead of the admirals.

Early on the morning of that day all the naval craft will take part in manoeuvres which will take the form of an "attack" on Singapore.

The aircraft-borne planes will fly over Singapore during the attack.

Medway and her brood of submarines will leave for Hongkong on Mar. 22. The East Indies Station cruisers will sail for Colombo, on Mar. 24, and the cruisers Kent and Suffolk and the escort vessel Fulham will end their Singapore stay on Mar. 20.

Mr. Harden has kept this early connection with the Phillips, by members in the Manila Bay Club

#### Slovak Crisis

## GERMAN POLICE, CZECH SOLDIERS IN BORDER CLASHES

PRESSBURG, Mar. 12.  
A NUMBER OF incidents between the German voluntary police service and Czech soldiers occurred during Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

Some time after midnight, a Czech military car drew up in front of the headquarters of the German Party. Several shots were fired from the car at German voluntary policemen standing on guard in front of the building. The German guards replied with fire, whereupon the Czech military car drove off. Altogether about eight shots were fired, though nobody was injured.

Some 70 persons were arrested in Pressburg, including three Reich Germans, who were seized on Saturday night by Czech police and taken into custody despite the intervention of the German Consul-General.

#### PRESSBURG OCCUPIED

Government headquarters in Pressburg were also occupied on Sunday morning by Hlinka Guards and the German voluntary police. Flags of the Slovak autonomists and the Swastika waved from the buildings.

The provincial deputy Prime Minister, M. Teplyansky, acting before the formation of the Sidor Cabinet, held a telephone conversation with the Prague Foreign Minister, M. Chvalkovsky as a last act before leaving office, when he demanded the disarmament of the German voluntary police force in Slovakia. However, the voluntary policemen have refused to be disarmed.

#### CRISIS INTENSIFIES

In view of the continual arrests of Slovaks and Germans in Pressburg, and by this time to number several hundreds, and in view of the disquieting reports of new incidents in the provinces, excitement among the population here has mounted to fever heat, and in the opinion of foreign observers, might at any time result in a further intensification of the crisis, and may possibly have results the consequence of which could not be foreseen.

The Pressburg headquarters of the German Party were surrounded this afternoon by Pressburg police, who also occupied neighbouring houses, and a whole series of buildings behind them. The police took up their positions in front of the headquarters, while armed German Party and Hlinka guards fixed their bayonets.

This afternoon the Hlinka Guards demanded the surrender and evacuation of the Hurban barracks.

Reports from the provincial towns indicate that Czech soldiers are occupying all the important buildings. This afternoon, a great demonstration was held. In Prescow, 11 members of the Hlinka Guard were reported to have been wounded.

#### PREMIER'S BROADCAST

Prime Minister Sidor broadcast this evening with the intention of allaying the excitement caused by the assurances that Czech soldiers and police would be withdrawn, thus quieting the more radical elements.

The Premier said he had given an order that Czech gendarmes and police should leave Slovakia within the next 24 hours. Likewise during the next 24 hours all Slovak priests, party leaders, Hlinka Guard commanders and all district leaders and officials should be released.

Two hundred and fifty persons who had been sent to Moravia after their arrest would be brought back within the next 48 hours, and set at liberty.

#### STANDING GUARD

Premier Sidor declared that the first Council of Ministers of the new Slovak Government would meet tonight and deliberate on an immediate course of action.

The President of the Slovak Diet had asked the Czech-Slovakian President to postpone the next meeting of the Diet until March 28. Premier Sidor would then submit to the Diet the programme of the new Government, and at the same time make a report of the work already accomplished by the Government.

The Premier ended his speech with the words: "We are standing guard for Slovak interests. We will build up an independent national life in Slovakia. There is no going back. Slovakia must go forward."

PROVISIONAL COMPROMISE

London, Mar. 12.  
The last 48 hours has not made the Slovak government easier to the

## CORONATION CEREMONY

#### Half-Million People Pack St. Peter's

VATICAN CITY, Mar. 12.  
OVER HALF A MILLION people were packed in St. Peter's Square, and down the new half-mile road reaching almost to the River Tiber, when Pope Pius XII was crowned supreme Pontiff on the outside balcony of St. Peter's at midday to-day.

It was first time since 1846 that the Pope had been crowned in public. Millions of the faithful all over the world listened to a description of the ceremonies broadcast in seven languages.

The ceremonies connected with the coronation began at 8 a.m., and were conducted with the solemn splendour of centuries-old tradition. Diplomats and princes from all parts of the world were among the worshippers who packed the great Basilica to capacity during high mass.—Reuter.

#### THANKS TO LIN SEN

CHUNGKING, Mar. 12.  
Pope Pius XII has cabled his thanks to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, for his congratulatory message on the election of His Holiness to the Papacy.—Central News.

## LATEST

#### Leftist Putsch Rumours

REICHENBERG, Mar. 12.  
Rumours of a Leftist putsch to take place this week are current among followers of the dissolved Czech Leftist parties, according to messages from Prague.

The aim would be to bring President Benes and his group to power again.

The putsch plans are said to be backed by legionaries and a part of the General Staff.

The planned coup would also extend to Slovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

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## Japan's Record Budget

TOKYO, Mar. 12.  
JAPAN'S BUDGET for 1939-40 amounts to 10,410,000,000 yen.

It includes the ordinary Budget at 3,694,000,000 yen, and an extraordinary Military Budget for the China Incident of 4,606,000,000 yen, and a supplemental Budget for the Navy and War Ministries of 2,000,000 yen.—Reuter.

# INQUIRY INTO AFFAIRS OF 350-CINEMAS GROUP

## Board Of Trade Appoints Inspector

SHAREHOLDERS' demands for an inquiry have resulted in the appointment of Mr. Russell Kettle—a partner in the firm of Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths and Co., chartered accountants—as an inspector to investigate the affairs of the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, which controls about 350 cinemas.

This announcement by the Board of Trade recently follows an application made about a year ago by a body of shareholders representing more than the stipulated one-tenth of the share capital of £6,250,000.

The committee of shareholders stated in their circular that they wanted an inquiry into how the company's subscribed capital had been utilised.

Information was also sought on the present state of the company's affairs and on the agreement with the Fox Film Corporation, an American undertaking.

### REPORT TO BOARD

Under this agreement it was stated that some control of Gaumont-British was given to Fox Film Corporation through its holding in Metropolis and Bradford Trust, which holds 65 per cent. of Gaumont-British shares.

The Companies Act provides that it shall be the duty of all officers and agents of the company to produce to the Inspector the books and documents in their custody. The Inspector can examine the officers on oath and he has to report to the Board of Trade.

Gaumont-British affairs have been in the public eye recently. At the beginning of this year it was announced that negotiations were proceeding by which it was hoped Odeon Theatres would make an offer for the Gaumont shares and also the voting shares of the Osterreich group.

The proposed offer was not to be made until there had been an examination of accounts and a survey of properties. This was expected to take place in March or April, but the latest move may cause delay.

## Fashion Raids The Tropics

COLOURS are to be quieter this spring. Exhausted, perhaps, by one or two seasons of screaming pinks and riotous reds, the spring scale of shades sinks to a delicate diminuendo of pastels.

Strong colours for brunettes and bright colours for blondes take second place to the more delicate in-between tones that suit the subtle colouring of the "mid-brown" Englishwoman.

At the British Colour Council display of 1939 shades, five groups of colour correlations are shown, all represented in British merchandise—tables, gloves, hats and bags.

**CARIBOU AND MANILLA**

The first main group shows the new tropical pastels. These are bluish greens, dulled coral pinks, soft brownish reds—all with that misted look of objects seen in an aquarium, or perhaps when swimming in a lagoon.

The Edwardian influence tones down the brilliant fuchsias and

## DOCTOR TRIED 'TERROR' DRUG

Concerned at the number of mental patients who feared the drug cardiazol, Dr. J. E. O'N. Gillespie, of the Holloway Sanatorium, Virginia Water, Surrey, tried it on himself.

Cardiazol produces convulsions, which in certain circumstances allay the effects of mental disorders.

Some patients told Dr. Gillespie that "the very thought of taking the drug again makes me shiver with horror."

Dr. Gillespie, having taken his injection, experienced this:

"I felt my body and limbs coming to lie straight in the bed and my head turning to a central position."

"Then, very rapidly, something seemed to move in my arms and thorax and to pass up to the base of my neck, where it stopped and increased in intensity. Unconsciousness developed quickly . . . ."

Dr. Gillespie describes his experience in a recent issue of "The Lancet."

Magenta of lust season with more delicate amethyst mauves and two sugar-sweet colours known as sea pink and amaranth.

An important range showing the new "lady-like" influence in clothes and colouring is the scale of greys and beiges. Caribou is a very warm dark grey. Ash grey is rather cooler.

In tone and manilla is the new beige. Mixtures of grey and beige, with darker contrasting accents, will be a feature of spring colour schemes for day outfit.

At the end of two and half hours of uninterrupted discussion (not all of it about the definition) Dr. Denis



Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy gave a Gay Nineties party in Beverly Hills, Cal., and here is some of the fun as guests enact the Can Can dance. Left to right: Betty Grable, Princess Babb, Martha Raye and Dorothy Lamour.

## Experts Failed To Answer A Mere Layman's Query

A HUNDRED medical psychology experts from all parts of the country recently failed to answer the question: "What is psychological treatment?"

Mr. Henderson, a Home Office official, unable to attend, sent the question with his letter of regret:

He was being asked the question more and more by interested laymen, he said, and he would like to have a definition by experts in words the layman could understand.

Dr. Edelstone, of Leeds, provided the homespun definition: "Psychological treatment supplies the parental affection the patient has never had."

### THE COMFORTER

Miss Madeleine Symons, J.P., said: "I am convinced that it is no impenetrable scientific mystery, but of common sense."

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Scientists Urge Madrid Test Of Anti-Nerve "Pill"

## Secret Drug Will Make Nations Panic Proof

LOCKED IN THE SAFE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH IS THE SECRET FORMULA OF A GLANDULAR-VITAMIN PREPARATION PLANNED TO MAKE BRITAIN'S CIVILIAN POPULATION PANIC-PROOF IN WAR-TIME.

While the formula has been submitted only for experimental purposes, it is understood that Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, is taking a keen interest in the preparation.

It has been suggested that medical experts, acting for the Government, should go to Madrid to study the effect of the preparation on the war-stricken population.

### In Capsule Form

Sir John Anderson's department is said to be in consultation with the Ministry of Health as to the possibility of issuing the preparation in a simple and safe capsule form.

### Made A Fortune Out Of Fairies

WILLIAM Butler Yeats, the Irish poet whose death at the age of seventy-three was announced recently, made a fortune out of fairies.

His poems and plays were about places and people existing only in his mind.

People thought he really believed in fairies until one day he said: "Fairies . . . poof! What are fairies? What they call fairies in Galway they call spirits at a Soho seance."

Not only was he a writer of exquisite lyrics, but his appearance was in keeping with the popular conception of a poet.

With a shabby black cloak over his shoulders, a soft black sombrero on his head, a voluminous black silk tie round his neck, he wandered through the streets of Dublin with his hands behind his back and his head in the air.

He looked bold and gentle, but he had a quick sense of humour.

When telephoned in 1923 to be told that he had won the Nobel Prize for

The Government are impressed with the claims of the Inventor, and hope that if its use can be restricted to prevent over-dosing it will play a valuable part in the protection of the civil population, especially women and children.

The idea of the formula is to alleviate human misery in times of great stress," the *Daily Sketch* was told by one in close touch with the Inventor.

"Such a preparation in war-time would be of incalculable value.

Scientists who have been investigating the properties of the "panic pill" say that Madrid, during a bombardment, would provide ideal conditions for experiment.

literature he said: "Good. How much is it worth in English money?"

### "COME TO SUPPER".

When told "About £7,000," he said: "That's good news. Come to supper. My wife is frying sausages."

For years school children have learned his poem, "The Lake Isle of Innisfree." He wrote it in a London park when he was a young man. Though he would never say where "Innisfree" was, it was said to be a rocky isle in Lough Gill, known locally as Rat Island. The fame of the poem took many literary pilgrims to Sligo.

He lived at Rathfarnham at the foot of the Dublin mountains, but in recent years, because of his health, he went to the Riviera in the winter. It was at Mentone that he died. He married in 1917 and leaves a wife and a son and daughter.

### Debutante Will Sue Count

MISS Diana Ursula Challacombe, beautiful young blonde, came last year a debutante, is plaintiff in an action pending in the High Court.

She is suing Count Manfred Czernin, of York-terrace, Regent's Park, N.W., for damages for alleged assault and battery.

The action arises out of incidents said to have taken place after a dinner party at Lansdowne House on November 30. The defence is a denial of the allegations.

Count Czernin is a cousin of the wife of Dr. Schuschnigg, ex-Austrian Chancellor.

### IS AIRWOMAN

The action has been set down for hearing in the special jury list of the King's Bench Division, but is not expected to be reached this term.

Tall and slim, Miss Challacombe, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Nicholas Challacombe, has appeared in several films and on the stage.

She is, too, a well-known sports-woman. At school she won eight cups for sport, including tennis and swimming, and holds a record for high jumping. Riding and squash are other forms of sport in which she excels.

Recently she took up flying, and holds a pilot's certificate.

### Free Meals For Good Taste

Toledo, O.

To make Jones Junior high school students more vitamin-conscious, three free meals are awarded every day to those who choose their food most scientifically in the school cafeteria.

### State Railways

Canberra, Australia.

State owned railways are charitable. Minister of the Interior McEwen has arranged for free transportation on the Commonwealth railways of children, and their escorts, when travelling for medical examination and treatment.



Here is a picture from Spain, taken during General Franco's Insurgent drive on the Loyalist capital of Barcelona. It shows a supply truck near Artesa del Segre hit by Loyalist air raiders. An Insurgent soldier attempts to salvage some of the material from the truck, set afire by the bombs.

## Brutality By The Police Alleged

### MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

recently gave evidence in support of a demand for an inquiry into allegations that police used unnecessary brutality in dispersing "Arms for Spain" demonstrators in the West End.

So many statements have been made that defenceless and unoffending men and women were charged and beaten during orderly picketing that the National Council of Civil Liberties decided to lay the evidence before Parliament.

The Commissioner of Police also received signed statements from witnesses of alleged police violence.

Among the people alleged to have been injured in Parliament Square

was Mrs. Joyce Lee, of Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, S.W.

### SERIOUS WOUNDS

Her right eye was closed and swollen.

A doctor who is attending her found serious wounds over both eyes, and an X-ray examination is to be made to determine whether there is any fracture of the skull.

Mrs. Lee's thigh is also sprained, and numerous bruises make it difficult for her to walk without assistance.

### Ship Beached Near City

Sydney, N. S. W.

Sydney had a shipwreck at its front door. The freighter Sydney Star, after a collision with the coastal freighter Macumba, late at night, had to be beached at Rose Bay, near the Empire flying-boat base.

## THE BUSINESS BAROMETER

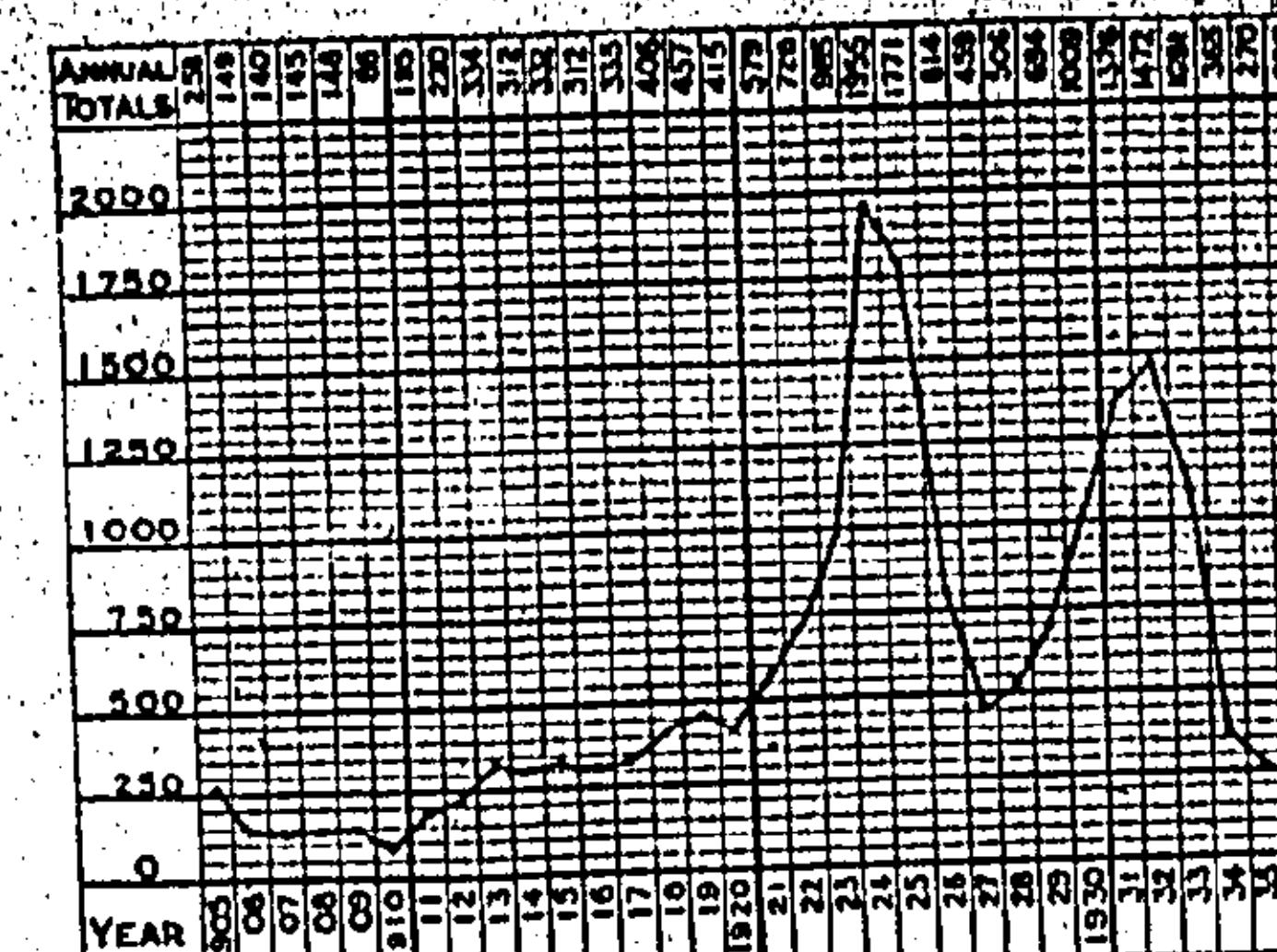


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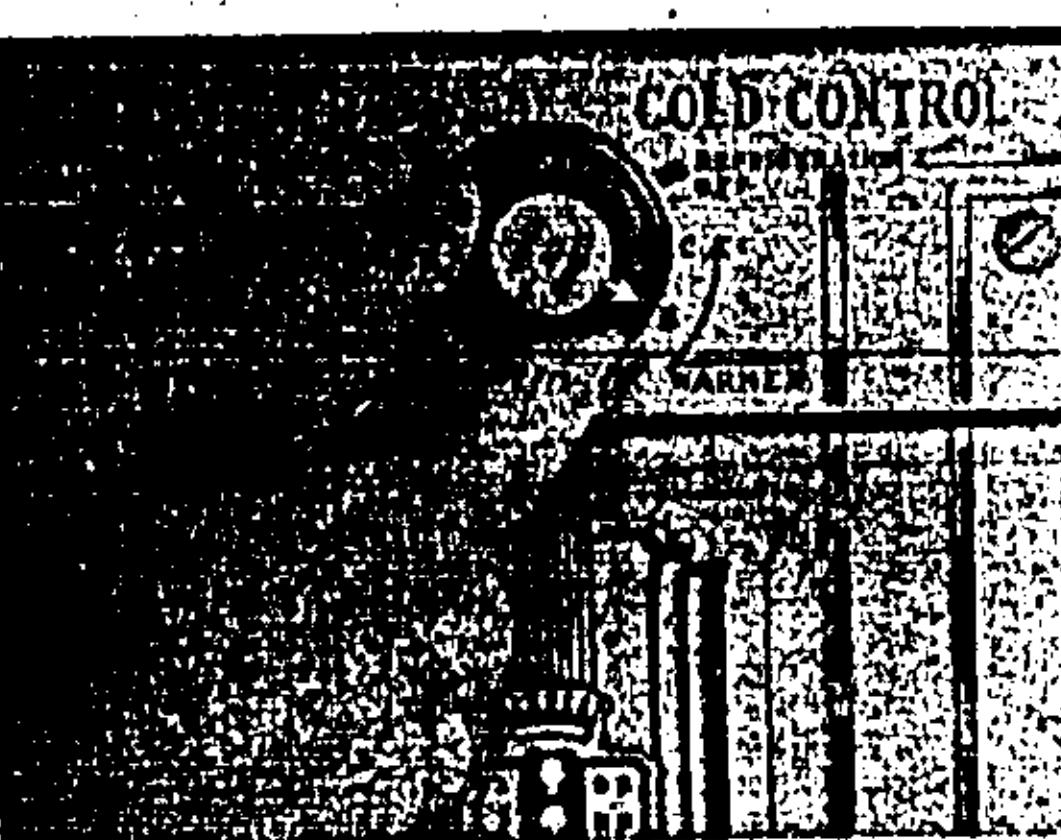
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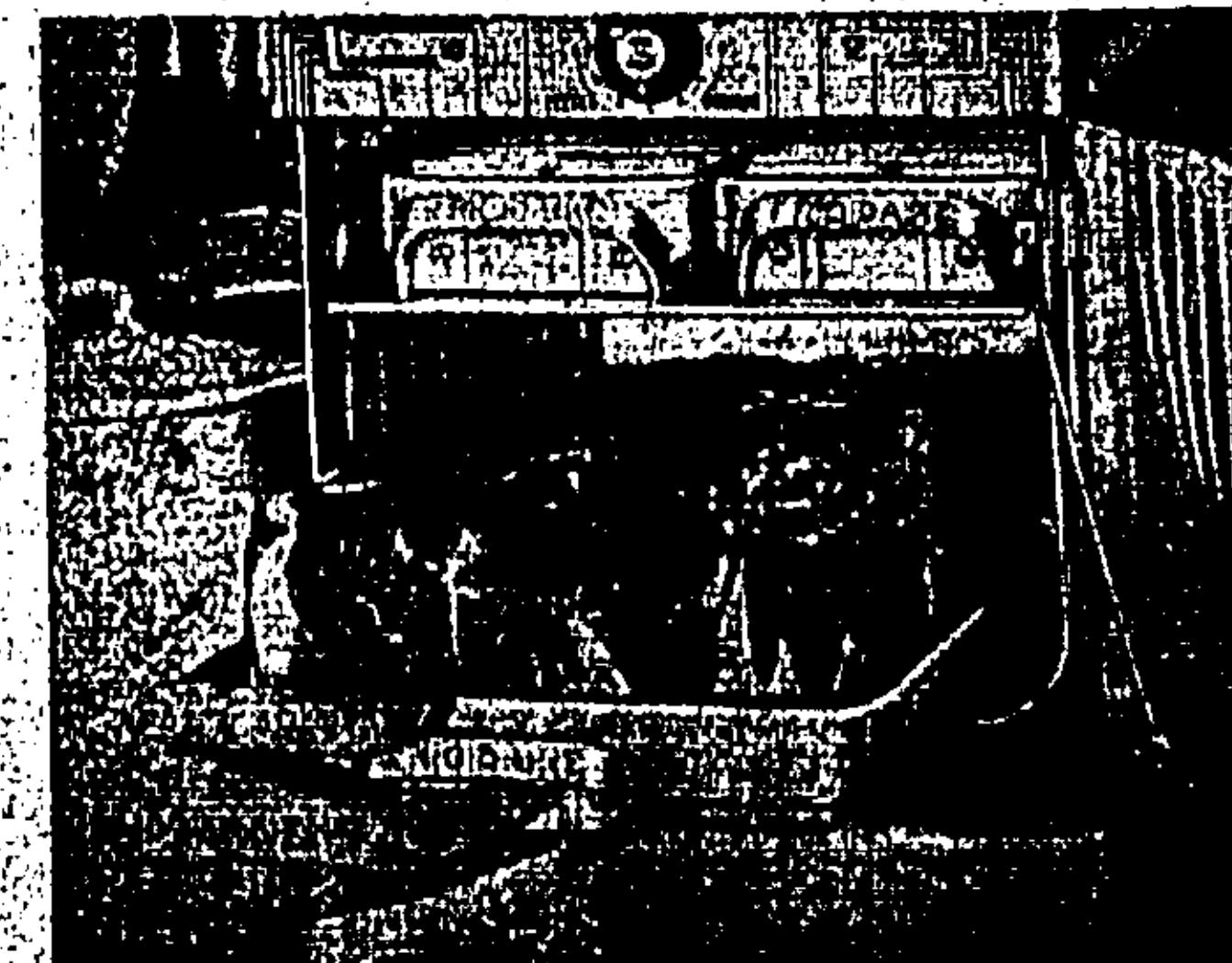
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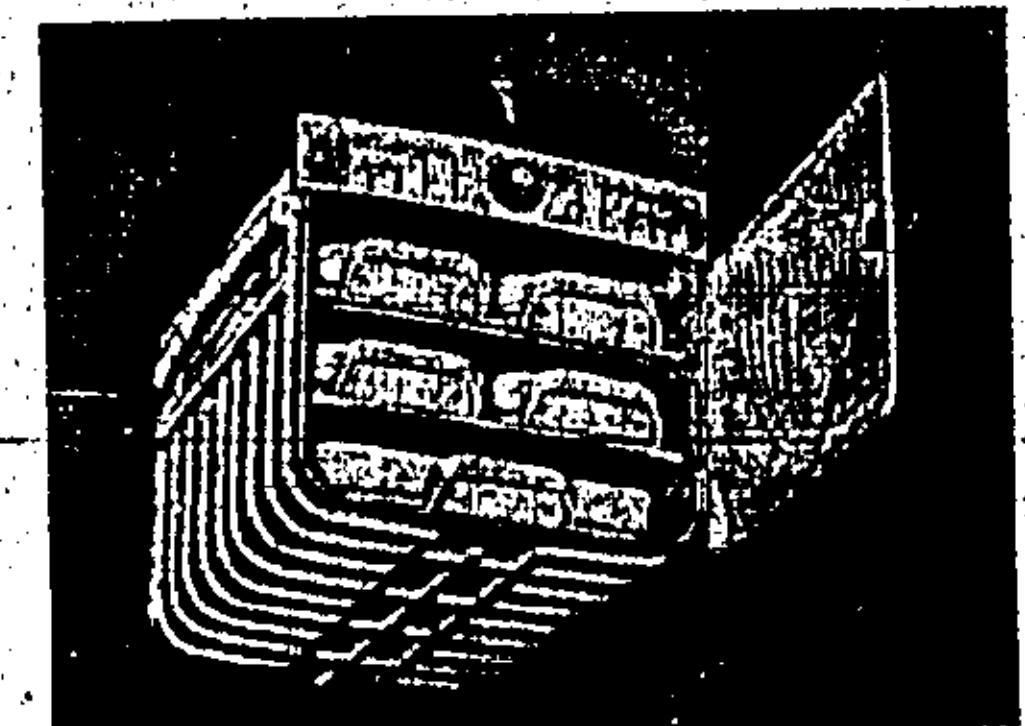
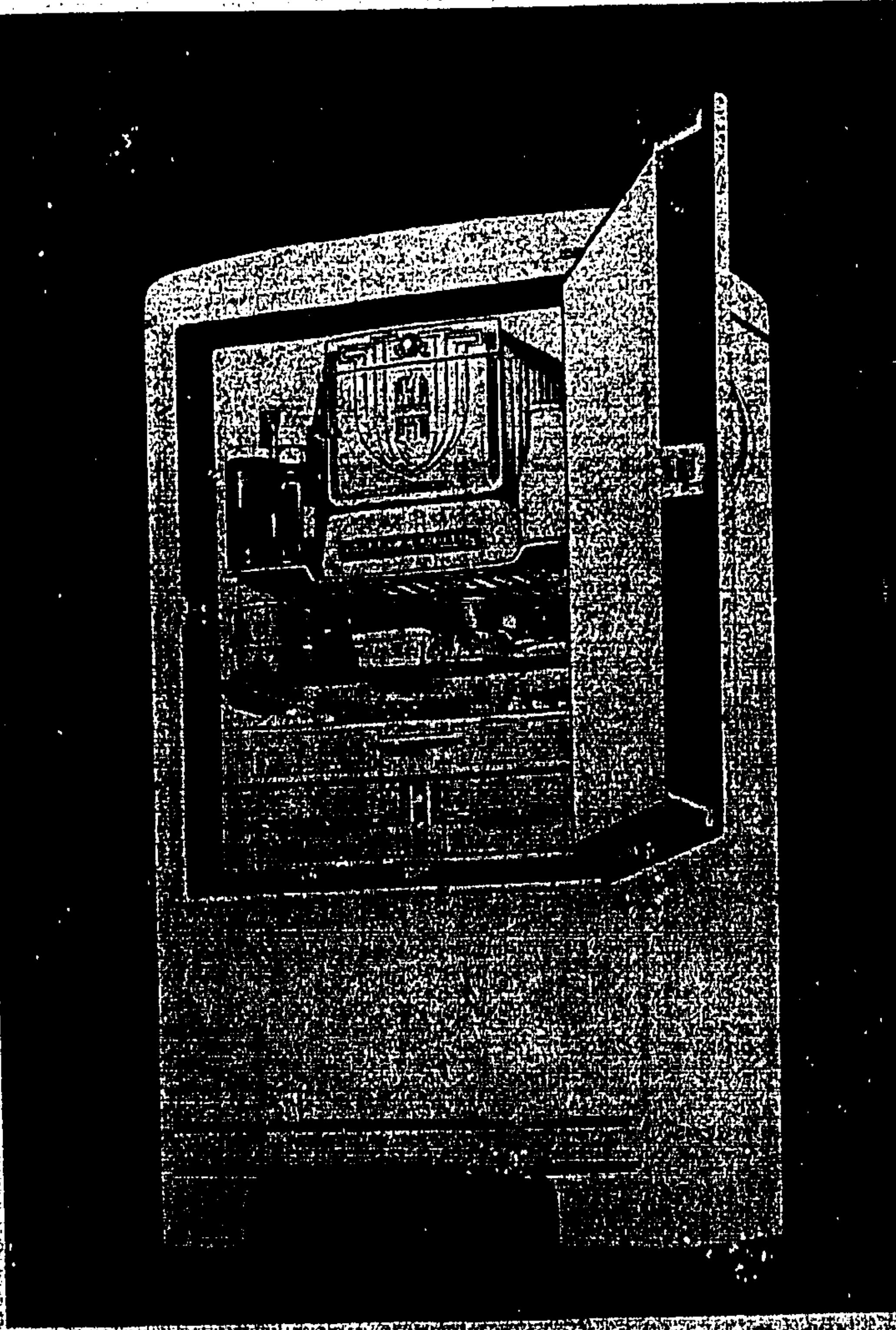


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## Defence Talks In N. Zealand Empire Delegates To Gather

LONDON, Mar. 12.

THE DOMINIONS OFFICE states that "as a result of a suggestion put forward about the middle of last year by the Government of New Zealand, which has since been under discussion between the governments concerned, arrangements have now been completed for a meeting in New Zealand in the near future of a conference between representatives of the governments of New Zealand, Australia, and the United Kingdom, to consider Pacific questions of common concern, with special reference to defence questions."

"The United Kingdom representatives will be the High Commissioner in New Zealand for His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, and representatives of the defence services."—Reuter.

## MADRID QUIET

### Communist Leaders Surrender To Miaja

MADRID, Mar. 12. THE CAPITAL is now considered to be free of Communist influence.

The leaders are stated to have surrendered unconditionally.

A Paris message says that Madrid is starting to live normally again, and tramway workers are replacing overhead wires.

The inhabitants in the Chamartin district, where the Communists made their last stand, are now returning to their homes.

Shops are re-opening on Monday, and municipal workers are already at their posts.—Reuter.

## George V Goes To Last Resting Place

LONDON, Mar. 12. THE KING AND QUEEN, with Queen Mary and other members of the Royal Family went to St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle to-day for the dedication of the tomb of George V.

Canon Deane conducted the brief ceremony.

The service consisted of prayers written especially for the occasion, the whole proceedings lasting only a quarter of an hour, after which the Royal Family inspected the tomb.

An official statement afterwards said: "The coffin of King George V was removed from the royal vault and placed in a tomb in the second westernmost bay on the north side of the nave."

"The figure of King George is shown in white marble, wearing an Admiral's uniform and the Garter robes."—Reuter.

## Indian Congress Supports Gandhi

Tripuri, Mar. 12. The plenary session of Congress to-day passed a resolution expressing confidence in Gandhi, by an overwhelming majority and amid shouts of "Mahatma Gandhi! Jai! (Victory for Gandhi!).

The session also passed a resolution for self-determination after rejecting an amendment suggesting a six months' ultimatum to the British Government.

The three-day plenary session of the National Congress concluded after passing resolutions disapproving and dissociating itself from the British foreign policy, "which consistently aided Fascist Powers."

Other resolutions expressed confidence in Gandhi, demanded self-determination for India, voiced admiration for the courage and determination of the Arabs in Palestine, and expressed anxiety regarding the rapidly deteriorating position of Indians overseas, especially in the Empire.—Reuter.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

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The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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#### Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary and Manager,  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

## German Adviser Back In China

Chungking.

After a sojourn of six weeks in Germany, Herr H. J. von Loehow, adviser to the Chinese Communications Ministry, has returned to Chungking.

Herr von Loehow's trip was devoted to giving first-hand information about present conditions and problems in China, her economic situation and communication system to leading German manufacturers and industrialists.

The adviser brought back several personal messages from German leaders to high Chinese Government officials.—Central News.

## Chungking-Hanoi Air Service

Chungking, Mar. 13. The Chungking-Hanoi air service operated by the C.N.A.C. will be inaugurated to-morrow, a trial flight by a Douglas plane on March 8 having proved satisfactory. Planes flying between Chungking and Hanoi will stop over at Kunming. Central News.

## HELP FOR STUDENTS Excellent Work Done By Hongkong Committee

A total of 453 students from the war areas have been given financial help by the Hongkong Committee for Student Relief since its organization last December.

The number included 254 college students, 105 middle school students and 11 technical school students.

The total amount of money appropriated to the students by the committee "as travelling expenses" for school fees and loans reached \$5,000.

The committee, representing a hostel for girl students in Kowloon, has been given financial help by the Hongkong Committee for Student Relief since its organization last December.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Rotary Club, the speaker will be Rotarian Dr. Chengting T. Wang, East District Governor, and his subject, "A Turn of the Wheel."

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THE FOLLOWING IS A CABLE SYNOPSIS OF THE TRADER'S COLUMN IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE OF BARRON'S WEEKLY:

NEW YORK: MARCH 11 (SATURDAY).

The Trader says that the unmistakable quickenings in speculation for a rise and the marked increased buying in nearly every major industry presages an increase in business indexes before the end of March.

The buying spurt during the past week was the strongest since the sensational advance in last June. Farm-equipment, electrical-equipment and automobile shares were the leading securities.

Steel companies' incoming orders for the first half of February exceeded those of any two months in the last three years. This warrants optimism with regard to the size of the Spring pick-up. Forward buying of steel was cautious. The profit margin is low in textiles, steel and electrical-equipment.

The absence of swollen inventories, inflated credits and high interest rates favour the retention of equities.

The growing restlessness of idle funds is reflected in the strength of American Telegraph & Telephone and du Pont de Nemours stocks. The spread of yield between high-grade and second-grade bonds does not indicate any impending reversal of the up-trend.

Odd lot traders were selling and buying during the past week.

The technical position is probably as good as before the up-swing began a few weeks ago.

The market, on the whole, was little affected by the selling of copper shares.

### GERMAN POLICE, CZECH SOLDIERS IN BORDER CLASHES

(Continued from Page 1.)

outside world, writes the diplomatic correspondent of the "Observer," although, he adds, a great deal has happened.

In Prague, the appointment of a new Slovak Cabinet is regarded as a provisional compromise, which for the time being, ensures a constitutional government in Slovakia.

Slovak opinion is divided between the new Premier Sidor and the youthful Radicals demanding the abdication of any reported incidents.

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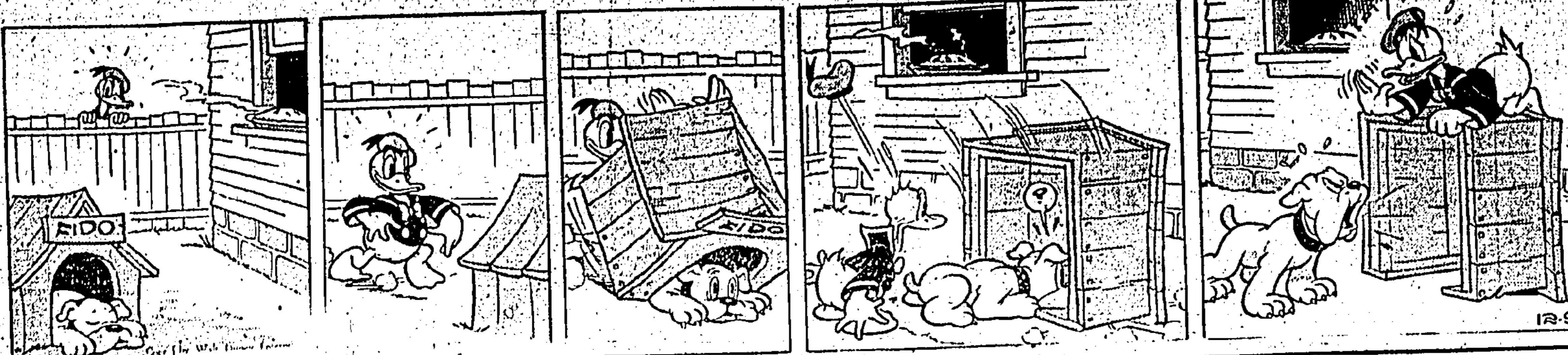
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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).  
Swing Along (Cock); Blue Prelude (Bishop); It Take A Long Pull To Get There ("Porgy and Bess" (Gershwin))... with Orchestra.

12.40 Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

Military March (Specially arranged); Acclamations—Waltz (Waldteufel); The Grenadiers—Waltz (Waldteufel)—arr. Winterbottom); Marching With Sousa; Intro: Stars and Stripes; Fairies of the Fair; The Gladiator March; Liberty Bell March; Washington Post; King Cotton; El Capitan; Manhattan Beach... conducted by Captain George Miller.

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Latest Variety Numbers.

Orch.—"Mugger Melody" Selection... Louis Levy & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Vocal—It's

Rainbow Sunbeam (Coslow, Hollander); 100 men and a girl);... Danna Durbin with Orchestra; Organ & Piano—"That Certain Age" Selection; "Carefree" Selection... H. Robinson Cleaver (Organ) and Patricia Roosborough (Piano); Vocal

—Darling... you are so different to-day (Amberg); Don't say "Good-bye" —Say "Au Revoir" (Amberg); Zarah Leander rec. by Eugen Wolff's Orchestra (Sing in German); Orch.—Ya Got Something There (Hart-Hilton)... Jack Hylton & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Vocal—Honey Chills (Strauss, Dale).... Denny Dennis with Instrumental Accompaniment.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecasts and Announcements.

1.40 Schumann—Concerto in D Minor.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and The Philharmonic Orchestra of New York conducted by John Barbirolli. 2.15 Close down.

"Business as Usual" A Talk by Cyril Champkin

LONDON MUSIC HALL

6.0 "For The Children"

Nursery Rhymes (Traditional Tunes); Intro: Hot Cross Buns; Pussy Cat; Hickory Dickory Dock; Oh Dear!

What Can the Matter Be; The Bonny Brinn Bush; When the King Enters His Own; Sing a Song of Six-pence; Three Blind Mice; Jack and Jill; Humpty Dumpty; Little Bo Peep; Hey Diddle Diddle; I Saw A Ship a-Sailing... British Light Orchestra cond. by Stephen S. Moore; "More Very Young" Songs (A. A. Milne-Fraser-Simpson) (a) (Blinker); (b) Shoes and Stockings; (c) Forgiven; George Baker (Baritone) at two pianos.

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## NATIONAL SERVICE

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## NATIONAL SERVICE

National Service was initiated about the last week in January with the issue of a White Paper listing several hundred "reserved occupations."

This meant that generally speaking those engaged in occupations listed should not volunteer for national service, and might not be required in war time, since their occupation comes under the heading of indispensable.

It was estimated that it accounted for about 7,000,000 of the working population. It contained many anomalies. For instance, the list included all the mechanical branches of the newspaper trade, but not the editorial staffs.

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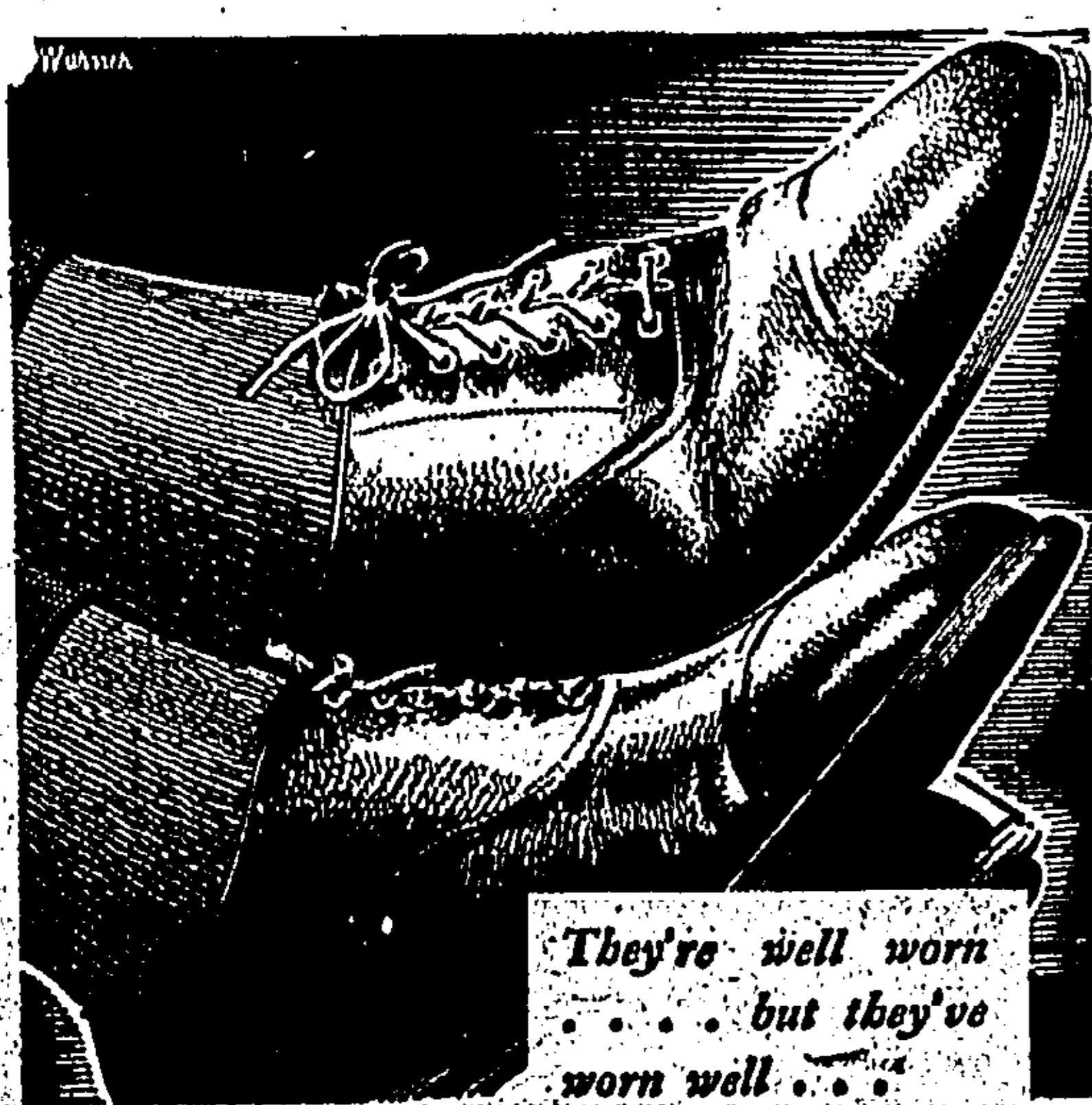
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### Russia?

THE biggest handicap in British diplomacy at the present time is of the British Government's own creation. It is their deliberate cold-shouldering of Russia.

This refusal of Mr. Chamberlain and his colleagues to collaborate with Russia contributed more than anything else to the democratic rout at Munich. Russia had publicly avowed in unambiguous terms her intention of fulfilling her treaty obligations. But the British Government apparently preferred to believe the tittle-tattle of cosmopolitan busy-bodies who asserted that Russia was either unwilling or unable to fulfil her obligations.

This determination to force Russia into isolation—to treat her as the pariah of Europe—continues. Mr. Chamberlain, it seems, would prefer to lose the British Empire without Russian support than keep it with Russian help.

It is not only that the British Government are throwing away a valuable friend in time of peace and a powerful ally if need should arise. The inevitable effect of trying to isolate Russia must be to throw her into the arms of Germany. This possibility has often haunted the Foreign Offices of France and Britain, and now Mr. Chamberlain seems in a fair way to bringing it about.

In view of Herr Hitler's denunciations of "Bolshevism," such an outcome may seem impossible. But stranger things have happened, and the present trade talks between Russia and Germany should give abundant food for thought in Downing Street.

### KORDA: NO ROMANCE

MR. ALEXANDER KORDA, the film producer, who arrived at Plymouth recently from New York, denied that he was married or that there was romance between him and Merle Oberon.

He also described as "nonsense" reports that he was fed up with England and was contemplating living in America.

"I may make films occasionally in Hollywood, but London will always be my headquarters," he said.

## TO-DAY IN HISTORY

# A BISHOP who sought health IN TAR-WATER

"I HAVE," said Dr. George Berkeley, Bishop of Cloyne, "bestowed more pains on this work than on any of my other productions."

Berkeley referred to a book entitled "Virtues of Tar-water," in which he extolled the benefits of a concoction for curing various ailments.

Accused of exaggerating, Berkeley retorted: "To speak out, I suspect tar-water is a panacea."

Whereupon the newspapers of the day waxed scathing at the bishop's expense. Here is an epigram published in one periodical:

"Who dare deride what pious Cloyne has done?"

The Church shall rise and vindicate her son;

She tells us all her bishops sheep-herds are,

And shepherds heal their rotten sheep with tar."

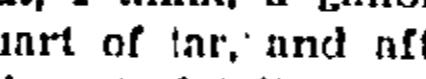


A certain John Wishaw, a solicitor, writing to a friend on May 25, 1744, gives a brief account of Berkeley and his tar-water:

"The Bishop of Cloyne, in Ireland, has published a book, of two shillings price upon the excellency of tar-water, which is to keep ye blood in due order, and a great remedy in many cases. His way of making it is to put, I think, a gallon of water to a quart of tar, and after stirring it together, to let it stand 48 hours, and then pour off the clear and drink a glass of about half a pint in ye morn, and as much at five in ye afternoon. So it's become common to call for a glass of tar-water in a coffee-house, as a dish of tea or coffee."

The Bishop practised what he preached, stuck to his tar-water, and wrote a sequel to his previous work, called "Further Thoughts on Tar-water," being his last production for the Press.

Berkeley suffered from what he described as nervous colic and could obtain relief only from his own specific.



Apart from this obsession of Berkeley's, he was a remarkable man. He was a great philosopher and mathematician, though often unorthodox.

At Trinity College, Dublin, where he was educated, opinion was divided as to whether he was a fool or a prodigy. His subsequent career proves that he was no fool, for before he was 23 he won a fellowship.

Within three years he published his "Theory of Vision," in which he discussed the prevailing ideas of sight and touch.

He argued that a man born blind could be made to see, would be unable to recognise any object by sight which he had previously known by touch. Such person, too, would have no sense of the relative distance of objects.

This argument was proved in a strange way, 10 years afterwards, when a young man, blind from birth, was suddenly restored to sight. He declared that he could not distinguish a dog from a cat by sight, and was so confused between his newly-acquired faculty and his touch that he wanted to know which of the two species were lying.

Next year Berkeley published his "Principles of Human Knowledge," in which he tried to prove that the common notion of the existence of matter was wrong, and that common notions of everyday use existed only in the mind.

He further developed this theory in "Three Dialogues Between Hylas and Philonous," which, if it did not convince eighteenth century scientists, gave him a reputation as a writer, and the friendship of Dean Swift.

At this period Berkeley went into retirement, devoting himself to the discharge of his duties as Bishop, and in works of charity.

In 1745 he refused the see of Clogher, which would have doubled his income.

He kept up a correspondence with the prominent men of the day and wrote a number of pamphlets on various subjects. It was now that he wrote his treatises on the virtues of tar-water.

Despite the regular draughts of tar-water, Berkeley's health began to fail.

He was unable to carry on his work in Ireland, and he went to Oxford and requested permission of the King to resign his see with the view to obtaining a canonry in England.

The King, however, refused to accept his resignation. "Berkeley shall die a bishop, in spite of himself," said George II, and he gave him permission to live wherever he pleased.

One of Berkeley's last acts was to make over £200 worth of rents from the see lands at Cloyne to poor housekeepers in his diocese.



Meanwhile, from 1707, he had been engaged as a college tutor. In 1712 he paid a short visit to England, and in April 1713 Swift presented him at Court.

He soon made himself popular in London and became chaplain to Lord Peterborough, whom he accompanied to the Continent, returning in August 1714.

From 1715 to 1720 he travelled again as tutor to the son of Dr. St. George Ashe, an Irish Bishop.

In 1721 the country was disturbed by the South Sea Bubble scandal, and Berkeley published an "Essay towards preventing the Ruin of Great Britain."

In the same year he became chaplain to the Duke of Grafton in Ireland.

He was in demand as a lecturer on

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He was buried in Christ Church Oxford.

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## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Spain

## REVOLT IN MADRID CONTINUES

## Serious Shortage Of Food Reported

Madrid, Mar. 11. After their headquarters had been bombarded by artillery the Provincial and Central Committees of the Communist Party surrendered unconditionally to the Casado forces shortly after noon.

The Communists telephoned for several tanks to meet the attack, but these were not able to reach the headquarters.

At the end of an hour of fighting several Communists appeared at the door of the building, and, finding themselves faced with Republican soldiers, threw their arms on the pavement. "This does not signal the end of 'the war within a war.' Vigorous action is still being taken against the Communists entrenched in various other buildings."

The Republican troops have recaptured part of the Salamanca quarter and have reoccupied the Calle de Alcalá which famous thoroughfare is scarred with trenches and dotted with blood-stained machine-gun emplacements.

White snipers are still busy, the centre of the City is calmer as the battle is now localised in the eastern quarters where the Calle de Alcalá enters the capital.

General Mola's Junta, which has the support of the Press, still controls the wireless station—one of the principal Communist objectives—and goes so far as to accuse the Communists of complicity with General Franco because the rising has weakened the Republican camp at a moment of greatest stress.

The Communists on the other hand make capital out of the affirmation that General Casado intends to surrender the territory still held by the Republicans to the Nationalists.

The need for food is urgent, for yesterday there was no bread. Moreover the Communists seized a convoy bringing milk for children and old people. Yet the food rationing is still amazingly normal, considering the transport difficulties in the dangerous zones.

The respective forces are storing supplies under the very noses of their opponents, who are not able to distinguish, until too late, the destination of the food lorries. Military control over the streets and even buildings may be divided.—Reuter.

## Communist Claims

Lisbon, Mar. 11.

A Communist radio message stated that fierce fighting occurred throughout the city after mid-day. "Mola's forces penetrated our trenches but were repelled after hand-to-hand fighting. There are mountains of corpses in Madrid. The revolt has been triumphant in the provinces."—United Press.

## Communists Undeafeated

Burgos, Mar. 12.

The Communists are reported to be advancing on the Salamanca district, best residential quarter in Madrid, where they occupied a sector underground. Fierce fighting is going on round the Union Radio building still held by the Junta's troops. It is also reported that General Mola's forces have been driven out of their positions by the Communists in the cities of Murcia, Alicante and Cartagena.

Several actors and actresses, described as confidential advisers of Dr. Negrin, have been arrested in Barcelona. They are accused of tyrannising over their fellow artists through the actors' syndicates.—Reuter.

## OFFENSIVE AGAINST MADRID SAID TO HAVE STARTED

Madrid, Mar. 11.

General Franco began his offensive against Madrid to-day and the Republican batteries have been replying to the Nationalist bombardment this morning, but stopped after a few hours' exchange of shots, leaving both sides in the same positions as before.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Offensive Still Pending

Burgos, Mar. 12.

It is officially denied that the offensive against Madrid has begun.—United Press.

## Aerial Bombardments

Madrid, Mar. 11.

According to a war communiqué to-day Nationalist Savoia planes bombed Cartagena, but there were no casualties.

On the Andalucian front Republican anti-aircraft guns brought down one Fiat pursuit machine which had machine-gunned the Republican troops.—United Press.

## Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hoyt-toyt astigmatism  
hollyhock astrakan  
knobberry poligot

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

## Guilty of Spying

Los Angeles, Mar. 11. Michael Gorin, manager of the local office of Interpol, the Soviet travel agency, and his wife, Salič, a naturalised American citizen, were to-day convicted under the Espionage Act.

Gorin's wife, Natasha, was acquitted.

Salič was found guilty of transmitting to Gorin and Gorin to his superiors in Russia, data concerning Japanese espionage activities and sabotage plans.—Reuter.

Shanghai

## PUPPETS PROTEST TO S.M.C.

## Control Of Courts In Shanghai

Shanghai, Mar. 12.

The pro-Japanese Shanghai Chinese Mayor, Fu Shao-en, has protested to the Municipal Council and Consular body against terrorism, demanding:

(1) Better Police control to check it;

(2) Return to the pro-Japanese Taito regime of the western district Police station which British troops recently closed;

(3) House-to-house searches in the International Settlement for terrorists and Communists;

(4) Handing over of the International Settlement Chinese courts;

(5) Surrender of the former Chinese Land Office files and documents;

(6) Prohibition of flying Nationalist flags in the International Settlement.

It is believed that one of the objects of the protest is to obtain a formal reply from the Council which would be considered to be de facto recognition of the pro-Japanese regime. The Council up to the present has ignored the pro-Japanese regime's notes.

The Taito protest to the Municipal Council warned that the Taito Police will undertake the International Settlement policing unless the Municipal Police are able to cope with terrorism.

The protest said that "drastic steps" might be used unless the British troops permit the re-opening of the western district Taito Police Station. The note said that effective from April 1 the Taito Government will recognise the civil and criminal judgments of the International Settlement Chinese Courts.

It added that "grave trouble" would result unless the Council prohibits the flying of the Nationalist flags in the International Settlement.—United Press.

## Police In Shanghai

Tokyo, Mar. 11.

Within a week of the announcement of the enrolment on March 4, over 2,000 young men including American-born Japanese, have applied for 30 vacancies in the Japanese police in the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The number of Japanese police in the Shanghai Municipal Council is 250, of whom 260 from the existing strength. Following the recent re-crucifixion of terrorism in the International Settlement, the Japanese authorities have decided to fill up the vacancies as soon as possible.—Domei.

## SHANGHAI INCIDENT

Shanghai, Mar. 11.

Municipal Police detectives arriving in the home of Zoo San-chen, Director of the Japanese controlled Consolidated Tax Bureau, in the American Defence Sector, to investigate on unrevealed information, unexpectedly discovered four Japanese military policemen in mutiny guarding Zoo. Thereupon they telephoned to the U. S. Marines, who sent two officers and 20 men in a motor-truck. They ordered the Japanese Military Police to leave the sector, which they did.

Eye-witnesses said that the Japanese compiled with the U. S. Marine's order to leave without objection, wherefore there was no tension.

An unconfirmed report says that the Japanese were questioning Zoo San-chen in connection with reported animosity and jealousy among pro-Japanese Chinese officials, wherein the rival factions are alleged to have made efforts to embarrass each other.—United Press.

## American Protest

Shanghai, Mar. 12.

The U. S. Marines last week protested to the Municipal Council against its agreement with the Japanese whereby the Municipal Council will permit the Japanese military authorities to search suspected terrorist-hides-outs in the Settlement in the presence of the Municipal Police.

The protest referred to the United States Defence Sector only.—United Press.

## Grand Total Of Japan's Budget Is Yen 10,410,000,000

The grand total of Japan's budgets, inclusive of the general and extraordinary military budgets, for the 1939-40 fiscal year, amounts to yen 10,410,000,000.

Included in the grand total are yen 3,694,000,000 for the general budget, yen 4,005,000,000 for the extraordinary military budget in connection with the China Incident, yen 810,000,000 for the supplementary budget for the Army and the Navy, yen 200,000,000 for the supplementary budget for civil service Ministers, and yen 700,000,000 as the fund

## The Crisis In Slovakia

## Believed Affair Will Be Peacefully Settled By Prague

Disturbances in many centres in Slovakia occurred during the week-end between the authorities and the Hlinka Guards following the recent dismissal of the Tiso Cabinet by the Central Government in Prague. Appeals have been made to Berlin for intervention, but order has been restored without outside assistance, and a new Cabinet has been formed by appointments from Prague. M. Carol Sidor, former vice-Premier of the Central Government, has replaced Dr. Tiso.

Germany is taking the closest interest in the situation, but no diplomatic move has yet been announced. Prague's action is regarded as an infringement of Slovakia's autonomous rights. A conference was held in Berlin between Hitler and other high officials, but no step is taken, pending further developments.

Britain finds the undercurrents of the rebellion puzzling to European statesmen, as most experts are reluctant to believe that the putsch is a purely spontaneous movement happening in a place where spontaneous movements are no longer the fashion.

As France has no further obligations in Czechoslovakia she is able to watch the situation with calm. It is reported by Reuter that the crisis in the Slovak capital is not worrying Europe's diplomats who do not consider it a serious threat to European Peace.

## Riot at Prison

Bratislava, Mar. 11.

Six Hlinka Guards were seriously wounded when Czech military guards fired at them when they tried to liberate the former propaganda chief of the Slovak People's Party, Dr. Mach, from prison.

Another report says that Professor Tuka, foremost champion of the Slovakian independence movement, has been transferred from Bratislava prison to a jail in Moravia-Ostrava.—Trans-Ocean.

## Headquarters Occupied

Bratislava, Mar. 11.

The headquarters of the German party at Krasmarie were occupied by Czech soldiers and German party functionaries were arrested by the Czech military to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

## Bratislava Orderly

Prague, Mar. 11.

The toll in yesterday's disturbances in Slovakia were three dead—two Hlinka guards and a German woman. To-day Bratislava is orderly.

Carloads of prisoners, mostly officers of the Hlinka Guards, are to be seen passing through the streets.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Warning to Population

Bratislava, Mar. 11.

Czech artillery from the hillsides above Bratislava to-day fired five blank shots, apparently to emphasise to the population that it is still under military rule. Later armoured cars and, it is reported, tanks patrolled the streets of Bratislava, firing blank shots.—United Press.

## New Demonstrations

Pressburg, Mar. 11.

New mass demonstrations were held in Pressburg this afternoon. Crowds marched in the streets singing national Slovak songs. Large detachments of Hlinka Guards are seen everywhere. Most of the population is wearing nationalist Slovak badges.—Trans-Ocean.

## Troops Withdrawn

Budapest, Mar. 11.

It is learned here that throughout the night consultations have been going on between Slovak leaders and Prague, in which Dr. Tiso is stated to have participated.

Most of the Czech troops and gendarmes have been withdrawn from the streets of Bratislava, and order is being maintained by the police and a few Hlinka Guards.

All roads leading to the city are guarded by Czech troops and gendarmes and during the night parties of Hlinka Guards from the provinces were turned back.

Dr. Sidor, the Czech Deputy Prime Minister, appealed to the Hlinka Guards to avoid incidents.

The opinion is expressed that the two most serious dangers appear to have been averted, namely, armed resistance by the Slovaks and intervention from outside.—Reuter.

## WITHDRAWAL DEMAND

Prague, Mar. 11.

According to reports received here this afternoon from Pressburg Hlinka Guards presented an ultimatum to the Czechs occupying the Slovak capital demanding the withdrawal of Czech troops by to-night. The situation at Pressburg as well as in other Slovak cities is believed to be reaching a climax. Numerous serious clashes between Slovaks and Czech troops are reported from provincial towns where so far sixteen persons have been reported killed.

Latest despatches received here from Pressburg state that armed Hlinka Guards succeeded in ousting the Czech troops from the main Post

for contracting liabilities outside the purview of the Budget.

The yen 200,000,000 supplementary budget for civil service Ministers which was finally determined by the Ministry of Finance on Saturday, will shortly be submitted to the Diet.

This sum includes yen 7,000,000 for payment of Government's holdings of the shares of the projected Japan Aviation Corporation.—Domei.

Included in the grand total are yen

## Italian Exiles Undergo Terrible Hardship

Monte Carlo, Mar. 11. Thousands of Jews forcibly expelled from Italy are wandering waist-deep in snow on the Alpine passes above Nice and Mentone. Two hundred arrived in Mentone last night in a state of exhaustion, while thousands are reported to be in sight of France, some nearly dead with hunger.

The French authorities accepted those who were obviously sick and exhausted, the others being sent back.—United Press.

## POPE PIUS XII IS CROWNED

## Ceremony Watched By Big Crowd

Vatican City, Mar. 12. Pope Pius XII was crowned on the balcony of St. Peter's a few minutes after noon.

The ceremony was preceded by the Pope's solemn entry to St. Peter's for Pontifical High Mass. Tremendous cheering greeted His Holiness, who was clothed in gleaming white vestments with a white mitre studded with precious stones, and borne on the sedes gestatoria from the Gregorian Chapel to the High Altar. With his hand continually uplifted in blessing, the Pope smiled at the crowd as he passed up the church.

Following ancient tradition three hosts were prepared instead of the usual one. Silver trumpets sounded as the Pontiff performed the act of consecration. Cheers were renewed at the conclusion of the Mass as the Pope was borne down the nave, but popular acclamation reached the zenith as a fanfare of trumpets heralded the Pope's appearance on the balcony.

Two short prayers were recited, after which the Senior Cardinal and Deacon placed the crown on the Pontiff's head with the words, "Receive this thorn adorned with three crowns and know Thou art the Father of Princes and Kings, Pastor of the world and Vicar on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ, to Whom are owed honour and glory throughout all the ages."

After another outburst of cheering the Pope gave the Papal absolution and Apostolic benediction and then left the balcony.

The actual crowning ceremony lasted only seven minutes.—Reuter.

## CHINA'S DELEGATE

Chungking, Mar. 11.

Dr. Wellington Koo, China's Ambassador to France, has been delegated as China's special envoy to the Coronation of Pope Pius XII.—Central News.

## FIRST LENT SERMON

Rome, Mar. 11.

The Pope attended to-day the first sermon. Later His Holiness received in private audience Cardinals Donati, Scarbetti, Dennis Dougherty and Isidore Thomas, Archbishop of Toledo, also the French, Argentine, Swiss, Bolivian and Liberian delegations awaiting the Pope's coronation.

The Masses were celebrated at the Vatican Grottoes, near the tomb of the late Pope Pius XI, observing the thirty days since his death.—United Press.

## SECRETARY OF STATE

Vatican City, Mar. 11.

The Pope has appointed Cardinal Luigi Maglione as Secretary of State. Cardinal Maglione, who is one of the most distinguished diplomats of the Vatican, was born at Casoria in 1877. He was appointed Nuncio in Paris in 1926 and was created Cardinal in 1935.—Trans-Ocean.

## TWENTIETH CONCILIJUM

Vatican City, Mar. 11.

The Concilium, planned by Pope P

# POLICE DESERVE TO WIN RUGGER TOURNAMENT

But P. And O. Out Of Luck In The Final Encounter

(By "Fly-Hall")

Before a large gathering which included their Excellencies the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote and the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasset, Police "A" won the local Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament and the right to have their name inscribed on the Blarney Stone Shield at Happy Valley on Saturday.

The Police are also credited with being the first team comprising some non-Club members to have ever won the Tournament. Last year before rugby had become an organised sport in the Force, a few enthusiastic Police rugger players got together and entered a seven. They were narrowly beaten by Club "A" who went on to win the Tournament; so the Police are to be congratulated on their success in this, their second effort.

Despite dismal weather the games on Saturday were of a high standard and were all keenly contested. In all but one game victory depended on that one try convert which makes all the difference. The ball soon became greasy, which made handling extremely difficult whilst the simplest of kicks at goal were missed. Only three of the 10 tries scored were converted, two by Fay, the Police player and one by Greive of the P. and O. Building team. With conditions as they were play was considerably slowed down, whilst sliding past a stationary ball was a frequent occurrence.

## TEAM WORK

The Police seven owe their success to all-round team work, with their covering and back up a feature. They were poor in defence and have to thank Taylor, their 16-stone full back for their extra try which got them to the final.

The three forwards, Onkley, Scarle and Heath, laid the foundation to the Police victories by their wholehearted display. Luscombe, the scrum-half, had a difficult task with a ball which skidded out of the scrum one moment and stuck in the mud the next. Fay did some good work with his feet in attack and kept a firm grip on his opposing number in defence. Wilson played as he has seldom done before in Hongkong. His defence was magnificent and he always had an eye for an opening. Taylor was their outstanding player and was instrumental in getting most of their tries. He is tall, heavy with a long stride and has a wicked hand—up which more than one player found to his cost. Bidwell was about the only player who coped with him effectively by taking him low, good and hard.

## P. AND O. UNLUCKY

The other finalists, the P. and O. Building, were unfortunate to lose Brown in the first five minutes as this resulted in their having to play one back and their forwards stood up to their task well, with the evergreen Peleg and Austin to the fore. Welch played a stout game at scrum-half and Greive played well without being brilliant. Brown played a steady game throughout although he found his lack of speed a bit of a handicap at times.

Bidwell was the mainstay of the team, while he and Taylor were the outstanding players in the Tournament. The Club player used his speed to advantage and in defence he saved his side time and again with crashing tackles.

## THE FINAL

With Police and the P. and O. Building in the final, the odds were

in favour of the latter winning because of their formidable pair of backs, Greive and Bidwell. Police chances of victory were, however, by no means ruled out in view of the conditions which suited the heavier Police side.

Police went all out right from the kick-off and soon had the Building's line in danger when Taylor went through and looked good for a try, but Bidwell clung after him and averted him five yards from the line to bundle him into touch. A truly magnificent recovery, Fay next raised the Police team's hopes by a long dribble which again was thwarted by Welch racing back and kicking the ball over the dead-ball line. But Police were not to be outdone and from a line-out Heath broke away to score an unconverted try. Half-time came with Police holding a three-point lead.

Police began the second half where they had left off. Taylor, who was playing his best game in the series, dashed away for the line, but once again Bidwell brought him down with a crash tackle just on the line. Heartened by this respite the Building went into attack and after Greive had paved the way he passed to Bidwell who dashed past Luscombe to score a try and level the scores. Greive failed to convert.

Just on time Wilson ran off in grand style to outstrip the field except Greive who caught up with him and brought him down; the ball went loose and Taylor, back up, dribbled over unharassed for the try which won them the Tournament. Fay made certain by converting from an easy position in front of the goal.

Police were worthy winners and it is a pity that their victory loses some of its glory through an early injury to Brown. In a collision with Taylor, the Building's player broke his wrist and had to leave the field after only two minutes' play. This final will be remembered for the brilliance of Taylor in attack and of Bidwell in defence.

At the conclusion of play, His Excellency the Governor presented the Blarney Stone Shield to G. S. Wilson, captain of the Police team.

## THE TEAMS

The following players took part on Saturday:

P. and O. and Another.—J. T. Brown; H. D. Bidwell and W. E. Greive; P. Welch; C. Austin, W. E. Peleg and G. M. Marrs.

Hongkong Bank.—M. G. Cartwright; D. G. Day and A. H. R. Butcher; E. L. Taverner; E. A. Bompas; J. S. Dunnett and K. A. Watson.

Small Ships "A"—Tel. Pollard; Pay Lt. Bucknall and Sub-Lt. Ashton; Lt.-Cdr. Clarke; Lt. Anderson; Lt. (E) Brown and A. B. Bowerman.

5th A.A. "A"—Sgt. Page; Gnr. Giblin and Gnr. Easterbrook; Lt. Hewitt and Pte. Courtney.

# ST. JOSEPH'S DEFEATED BY EASTERN IN A DULL LEAGUE TIE

(By "Abe")

In a game which was as dull as the weather, Eastern defeated St. Joseph's easily on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Football League, winning by five goals to nil after leading by two goals at half-time.

Actually the final score rather exaggerated the superiority of the Eastern eleven, though there is no doubt whatever that they deserved to take full points. But for long periods on end, the Saints had as much of the ball as the winners, and only the ineffective play of the forwards plus resolute defence by Eastern prevented them from scoring.

The ground was so slippery that the players found it difficult to keep on their feet, let alone exhibit good ball control. Nevertheless the Eastern defenders were always on top of their opponents, and repelled all their attacks with ease.

Both sides were unable to field their full teams, but the Eastern reserves fitted in better than the Saints reserves. In the absence of a regular goal-keeper, A. J. Hussain had to keep goal, and though this was his first experience between the sticks in a League match he acquitted himself well. But for him, the Eastern score might have been more towards the end when the Eastern eleven over-ran the Saints' defence, it was he who stopped several apparently certain goals.

## EASTERN TAKE LEAD

Lee Tack-keo scored both Eastern's goals in the first period. The Saints also had their opportunities but were unable to make use of them.

In the second half, the Saints made several position changes to no effect. If anything the defence was weakened and the Eastern forwards found their task made easier by the bad positioning of Marcel and Bowen, the full backs. Ward, Elms and Souza worked very hard in the forward line but their inability to control the ball and the steady play of the Eastern halves and backs rendered their efforts hopeless.

For fully 15 minutes after the resumption, however, the Saints held their own. Then Soong Ling-sing shot at goal, and Hussain, thinking the ball was going past above the bar, had the mortification of seeing it hit him on the rebound and roll past the Eastern goal-line. Shortly after this, Woo Chi-sang added the fourth and, two minutes before the final whistle, Chan Bing-lo scored the fifth.

Teams: Eastern—Lau Hin-hon; B. Y. Zee; Tsang Chung-wan; Lal Shih-tai; Hau King-shing; Lo Wil-kuen; Chan

# EASTERN SOCCERITES TO TOUR SAIGON

Provided permission is forthcoming from the Hongkong Football Association, the Eastern Football Club will be sending a team to Haiphong and Hanoi for a series of matches at the end of this month.

It is understood that at the invitation of the French Indo-China soccer authorities, Eastern, who are third in the local League Table at the present moment, will play three matches in Hanoi and two in Haiphong.

If the H.K.E.A. gives the necessary permission for the tour, the Eastern team will leave the Colony on March 28, and will be away for approximately three weeks.

Strong though the Eastern players are without outside help, they intend to invite a couple of other players to join them for the tour.

It is also possible that Eastern will make a trip to Macao in the near future to play the Portuguese colony.

# Cambridge Beat Oxford At Hockey

London, Feb. 22. I cannot remember a year when forecasts of the University hockey match were so unanimous, and what is more, that most difficult of all forecasts—a draw, says an English writer.

When Cambridge opened the score three minutes from the start and scored again 10 minutes later it looked as if the prophets were to be confounded but Oxford rallied and scored from a short corner. Just before the interval the Dark Blues' right wing went away from what appeared to be an offside position and equalised.

Cambridge rather luckily went ahead early in the second half and, although Oxford pressed strongly, they managed to hold on to their slender lead. For this they owed much to the inspired goalkeeping of C. L. Hawson.

## THE GOLF MATCH

A few weeks ago it was generally agreed that the University golf contest, to be played at Sandwich next month, would be merely a matter of how many matches Cambridge would win.

The Dark Blues, however, are showing more encouraging form at the right time and gained their second success since the season opened by defeating Royal Mid-Surrey by 9 matches to 8, with one halved.

In a two-day match, the Royal St. George's Club defeated Cambridge by 14 matches to 10. Cambridge will remain favourites but it looks as if it will be a real match after all.

# Draughts Player Sues The Referee

World draughts champion, Mr. Robert Stewart, in Aldridge Sheriff Court, recently sued the referee chosen for a title match that was never played.

Mr. Stewart, who lives at Blairadam, Fife, claimed £25 from Mr. Adam Smith, of Cambridge, the referee. He said he accepted a challenge by Mr. Samuel Levy, of Manchester, for the world title.

The match arranged at Dumfries was postponed because of Mr. Stewart's illness and the action arose because of Mr. Smith's alleged payment to Mr. Levy of £25 which Mr. Stewart declared was handed over as a forfeit and should not have been paid without his consent.

Sheriff Gillies allowed proof in the action, limited to the question whether the match was abandoned by Stewart or mutually abandoned.

The sheriff added that the case was complicated because Mr. Levy, his manager, and ex-Baile Foley, of Dumfries, who was at the scene of the proposed match, were dead.

## CROSS COUNTRY RACE

London, Mar. 11. In the English National Cross-country Championship, which was run to-day at Worsley, Lancashire, Jack Holden, of Tipton, retained his title, running the ten miles in 63 minutes 32 seconds. A. Tyrer, of Sutton Harriers, was second in 63 mins. 42 secs. and A. Reeve, of Slough, was third in 63 mins. 55 secs.

The team championship was won by the Belgrave Harriers with 122 points. Birchfield were second with 134, and Micham (holders) were third with 98—Reuter.



An exciting finish in one of the girls' races at the Central British School's annual athletic meeting held on Saturday afternoon. The weather was dismal, but nevertheless the boys and girls all enjoyed themselves thoroughly.—Photo by Ming Yuen.

## England Team To Play China

The following players have been selected to represent England in the "Sunday Herald" International Charity match against China to be played on Sunday:

Hartley (K.F.C.); Corbin (R.A.); Parker (Police); Freshwater (Middlesex); Bright (Middlesex); Capt. Wilkinson (Middlesex); Emberton (R.A.O.C.); Moss (Police); Chester (R.A.); E. Strange (Club) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

Reserves: —Rides (R.A.O.C.); Honeywell (Navy); Hammond and Jennings.

## Negro Student Beats Glenn Cunningham

New York, Mar. 12. John Borlcan, a negro student of Columbia University, beat Glenn Cunningham in the 1,000 yards indoor race to-day, and in doing so established a new world's record of 2 mins. 8.8 secs.

This was Borlcan's second win over Cunningham.—Reuter.

## HARDING, GNR. WHITHEAD, L/BDR. EVANS AND GNR. CLARK.

R.A.O.C.—Cpl. Emberton; Bdr. Coughlan and L/Sgt. Lang; Pte. Leach; Lt. Belton; L/Cpl. Boustead and Lt. Macpherson.

Fortress R.E.—Spr. Moxham; Spr. Jones and L/Cpl. Hughes; L/Cpl. Walte; Spr. Apperley; Spr. Pyke and Cpl. Brinkley.

Police "A"—D. H. Taylor; G. S. Wilson and B. C. Fay; E. C. Luscombe; H. W. E. Health; L. A. Scarle and L. Onkley.

Middlesex "A"—P.S.M. Ramsey; Pte. Ferguson and Lt. Man; Cpl. Freshwater; L/Cpl. Gillinan; Lt. Anderson; Lt. (E) Brown and A. B. Bowerman.

5th A.A. "A"—Sgt. Page; Gnr. Giblin and Gnr. Easterbrook; Lt. Hewitt and Pte. Courtney.

## DANE WINS BADMINTON TITLE

English Championship Finals Played

London, Mar. 11. The English Badminton Championship finals, which have just concluded, resulted as follows:

Men's Singles.—T. Madsen (Denmark) beat A. Nichols (holder).

Women's Singles.—Mrs. Walton (Canada) beat Miss Devotion.

Men's Doubles.—T. Boyle and J. Rankin beat L. Nichols and R. Nichols (holders).

Women's Doubles.—Mrs. Dalgaard and Miss Olsen (Denmark) beat Mrs. Everett and Miss Devotion (England).

Mixed Doubles.—R. Nichols and Miss Staples beat J. Rankin and Mrs. Mc Norton.—Reuter.

## TENNIS TOURNEY CONTINUES

### Two Good Doubles Ties To-Day

Weather permitting, the annual tennis championships of the Colony will be continued at the Hongkong Cricket Club this afternoon.

Four ties in the singles and two in the doubles are down for decision to-day.

There does not seem to be anything of real interest in the singles, but the two doubles matches should provide some good tennis. In one, the Tsui brothers, holders of the title, will be opposed by Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain, who so surprisingly defeated J. Gonsalves and A. V. Remedios in the first round last week. Though the Tsuis should win, their opponents can be relied upon to put up some measure of resistance to make the match worth while-watching.

In the other doubles match, A. V. Gonsalves and J. J. Remedios, of the Club de Recreio, will play W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, one of the best combinations in the tournament. Some fast play ought to be seen here. The programme to-day is as follows:

#### OPEN SINGLES

Peter U. v. Lt. J. S. Theobald  
Leong Bing-chiu v. Lee Wal-tong  
A. Crawford v. Pang Gi-lang  
S. A. Rumjahn v. N. L. Evans

#### OPEN DOUBLES

A. V. Gonsalves and v. W. C. Hung and  
J. J. Remedios and v. E. C. Fincher  
Tau Wan-pui and v. S. A. Hussain

#### SECOND DIVISION

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.  
Navy ... 18 13 3 2 50 23 29  
S. China "A" ... 15 12 0 3 54 13 24  
Eastern ... 10 10 2 4 44 30 22  
Middlesex ... 18 8 3 3 39 34 19  
S. China "B" ... 17 7 3 2 71 20 17  
Kowloon ... 10 7 3 0 22 22 17  
Kwong Wah ... 10 6 5 3 63 44 17  
R. Scots ... 17 4 7 2 33 52 15  
Police ... 18 7 0 11 40 52 14  
Club ... 19 4 1 14 32 65 0  
St. Joseph's ... 17 2 3 12 20 53 7

#### THIRD DIVISION "A"

"Runners-up" Play-off.  
30th Bty 2 South China 2

#### LEAGUE TABLE

##### FIRST DIVISION

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.  
Navy ... 20 16 1 3 81 30 33  
S. China ... 19 15 2 2 54 22 32  
R. Scots ... 20 15 1 4 72 10 31  
Kwong Wah ... 19 11 0 5 64 53 22  
R. Engineers ... 17 8 0 9 54 47 10  
Police ... 21 7 0 10 34 53 14  
Kowloon ... 17 0 0 11 33 20 12  
Police ... 20 5 2 13 20 71 4  
Eastern ... 19 0

## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



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Feb.

## Cash Sweep Results At Fanling

## CASH SWEEPS

Race 1		\$455.02
No. 19		133.25
No. 42		133.25
No. 100		66.00
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each):	Nos. 722,	
No. 462		352.74
No. 430		150.00
No. 133		150.00
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each):	Nos. 637,	
No. 519		461.82
No. 671		174.72
No. 69		87.56
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):	Nos. 380,	
230, 145, 732, 73, 482, 50,		
No. 107		807.48
No. 52		100.00
No. 190		99.04
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):	Nos. 732,	
243, 214, 701, 770,		
No. 463		463.76
No. 424		183.36
No. 534		97.08
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):	Nos. 711,	
433, 283, 138, 210, 331,		
No. 157		793.01
No. 617		226.58
No. 660		112.00
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each):	Nos. 501,	
174, 426,		

## WOMEN'S GOLF

## Spring Meeting To Be Held At Fanling

The Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at Fanling on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, March 20, 21, and 23. The following competitions will take place:

Monday, March 20

Tombstone Competition, New Course. Hidden prize, Prize kindly presented by Mrs. R. M. Henderson.

Cards to be returned by 5.15 p.m.

Driving 1st, tee, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m.

Approaching, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m.

Putting Pool. Putting Course open from Monday to Thursday (four days). Cards 20 cents each; any number may be taken out. If there are more than 50 entries, a 2nd prize will be given, and if more than 75 entries, a 3rd in the proportion of 3 to 2.

Tuesday, March 21

L.G.U. Medal Competition. Silver, Old Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes; Bronze, New Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes.

The silver scratch prize has been kindly presented by Lady MacGregor, and the silver handicap prize by Mrs. Lindsell. The bronze scratch prize has been kindly presented by Mrs. Gilmore and the handicap prize by Mrs. Cassidy. Cards to be returned by 5 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22

Bonesy competition, Old Course. Medal competition, Relief Course.

Cards to be returned by 3.45 p.m.

The customary photograph will be taken at 4.10 p.m., and the presentation of prizes will be held by Mrs. Lindsell, Captain, immediately after the photograph.

Starting times may be booked each day. One card can win only one prize, but competitors may win any number of prizes.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00, for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27704), will close at 12 NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21020).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary

Hongkong, 13th March, 1939.



Mrs. Burnett  
...chosen after yesterday's trial.

experience. Miss Greig on the wing displayed great speed, if nothing else.

## THIRD QUARTER

Further changes were made in the attack and defence in the third quarter. Mrs. Wilmot was seen at left back in place of Miss A. Fowler; Miss Greaves in the place of Miss Ewing; in place of Miss Greig on the right wing; and Miss Grogan went to centre-forward in place of Mrs. Read. There was no score; the forwards did not impress and one saw very little combined play.

Miss Buchanan was introduced at inside left and Miss M. Booker on the right in the fourth quarter. Goals were scored by Miss Greig after Miss Burros had made a partial clearance and Miss Westcott added the third. Miss Ewing and Miss Booker were seen in some nice breakaways, the former on many occasions putting in some nice centres. Miss Westcott played a lone game on the left wing, receiving very poor support from Miss Buchanan.

Full credit, however, goes to the Recreio ladies for the splendid fight they put up against a strong and vigorous Interport defence. Miss O. Beltoño and Mrs. Silva were hard-working defenders who repeatedly held up the Colony forwards. Miss P. Gonsalves, the pivot, also did splendid work. Miss C. Silva led her attack well but was too closely checked by Miss I. Woolley. It is rather unfortunate this capable leader is unable to make the trip; otherwise I am sure she would have obtained her Interport colours.

## SOUND DEFENCE

The Colony defence performed splendidly. They were resolute in their methods of attack and continually held up the Recreio attack.

Frankfurt-on-Main, Mar. 12. Al Delaney, Canadian heavyweight, was beaten on points by Walter Neusel, German heavyweight champion, in a 10-round bout.

Delaney replaced Andrew Lenglet, French boxer, who was ill, and the Canadian went down eight times during the fight after winning the opening round.

Neusel's terrific upper cuts towards the end floored Delaney twice in the eighth round, twice in the ninth and three times in the tenth for long counts, and the going apparently went knockout in the final round.

—Reuter Special.

To single out players for special mention, I would name Miss G. White and Miss A. Fowler, the full backs, and Mrs. Stone and Miss I. Woolley amongst the halves. Mrs. Lunson also gave a good display in goal.

A further game will be played next Sunday morning when the Colony will oppose the Rest.

OUR SPELLING-BEE (see page 7)

holly-holly-hollyhock

knobkerrie or knobkerrie

cartigamia or astrakhan

poly-dot

Miss M. Booker  
the impressive Selector

## THE "TELEGRAPH"

will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary  
Hongkong, 13th March, 1939.

## CLUBS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETINGS

## Filipino Club

## Chinese R. C.

An amendment to the constitution of the Filipino Club, was passed at the annual general meeting held at the Club House, King's Park, yesterday. As a result an entrance fee of \$2 will be charged new members in the future. Mr. R. Lasala, President of the Club, was present.

Mr. L. R. Idefonso, Hon. Secretary, read the following report:

The Accounts for the last eight months show an excess of income over expenditure of \$1,205.09.

The total membership is at December 31, 1938, is 90, including two life members. During the period under review, the Committee recorded with keen regret the demise of Mr. H. Castro, one of the Club's founders and many times its President.

Rizal's Birthday and Commonwealth Day were celebrated with great success at the Club House.

A tea party was given by the Club to the Hon. Sergio Osmeña, Vice President of the Philippines, and Head of the Delegation to Washington, D.C., on October 19, 1938, which was well attended. A tea party was also held at the Club House on September 4, 1938, at which the tennis and ping pong prizes were distributed.

The Club was stated to be in a sound financial position, with a balance of several thousands of dollars in hand.

The teams representing the Club won the "A", "B", "C" and Mixed Doubles Divisions of the Tennis League during the year under review. The Colony doubles championship had also been annexed by Tau Wan-pui and Tau Yan-pui, members of the Club.

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The following were elected to serve on the Club's Committee this season: Messrs. Wong Kwok-fong, Lee Wai-tong, Lau Fook-kei, Ho Kuan-ku, Ng Sze-kwong, Chu Chi-wo, Ho Ka-ize, Yu Tak-cheuk, Chan Yin, Yu Tak-lam, U Sze-wing, Szeto Bick, Tyau Tsoo-him, Wong Ping-fan and Lee Ping-fan.

The Club House is in good condition. There is still a balance of \$1,100 outstanding as loans and \$1,030 in debentures.

The following were the officers elected for the current year:

Dr. V. N. Atienza, President; Mr. L. R. Idefonso, Vice-President; Mr. H. R. Pauling, Hon. Secretary; Mr. E. J. Porter, Hon. Treasurer.

Members of the Committee—

Messrs. R. J. Manalac, R. Basa, A. C. Reyes, R. Lasala, W. V. Field.

Mr. M. J. Rull and Mr. A. P. Castro were appointed as the Club's auditors.

Mr. R. Lasala, and Dr. V. N. Atienza were elected honorary life members of the Club.

## Sport Pays A Million

## To The Treasury

## Every Year In Tax

London, Feb. 12. The Treasury makes more than a million pounds a year out of sport.

If a football star is transferred, then the Treasury gets its cut. It makes just about £1,000,000 a year out of the entertainment tax on sport.

Take the case of Bryn Jones who was transferred from Wolverhampton Wanderers to Arsenal for a little matter of £14,000. Wolves are a flourishing club. Whether they transferred Bryn Jones or not, they would make a profit. The money for Bryn just means an extra £14,000 on that profit, so Bryn's transfer doesn't mean that the club is £14,000 better off at all.

Wolves get only 14s. 6d. in every pound for him. The rest goes in income tax. Out of the transfer of Bryn the Chancellor of the Exchequer gets about £4,000.

IT'S CRAZY

Now the crazy thing is this: Although the Treasury get £4,000 out of the transfer of Bryn Jones from Wolverhampton, they might get nothing at all if a super Bryn Jones was transferred for £15,000 from a struggling Third Division club losing £16,000 on the season—not that any club can afford to lose £16,000 on any season.

You see, transfers are not taxable such, writes Thomas Woodroffe. They are included in the club's receipts for the season, and if the club is not making a profit then the transfer is not taxed.

But no club can get away without paying the tax by saying, "We were breaking for £6,000, so let's spend the £6,000 on ground improvements."

NOT ALL REPAIRS

Money spent on ground improvements is taxed, but not money spent on repairs or maintenance. If a club spends say £5,000 on improving and repairing stand they cannot say that £5,000 was spent on repairs.

The master would have to be agreed with the local income-tax inspector, who might say: "All right we'll put down £1,000 for repairs, the other £4,000 for improvements. You'll have to pay full tax on the £4,000."

Thus you get the crazy position of Wolves selling a player for £6,000, £7,000, £8,000 or £9,000—or what have you—and being in pocket less than three-quarters of

London, Mar. 11. The following will represent Wales in an International football match against Ireland on Wednesday, March 16.

John (Swansea) or Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charton); Huhtes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton); T. Jones (Everton); Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford); L. Jones (Arsenal); Glover (Grimbsy); H. Jones (Arsenal); Cummer (Arsenal).

—Reuter.

## LACROSSE RESULTS

London, Mar. 11.

The following were the results of women's international lacrosse matches played to-day:

England 12 Scotland 2

(at Glasgow)

Ireland 9 Wales 2

(at Dublin)

—Reuter.

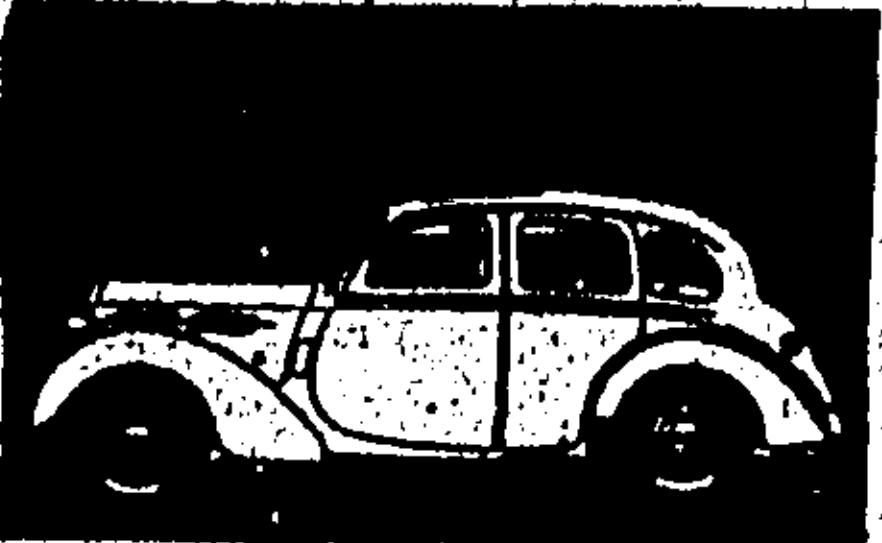
WALES ELEVEN

London, Mar. 11.</p





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## TOKYO BELIEVES EUROPEAN 'SHOW-DOWN' SET FOR MAR. 26

### IMPORTANT PRONOUNCEMENT PREPARED BY MUSSOLINI

ROME, MAR. 11.  
THE STRAINED ATMOSPHERE OVER THE EUROPEAN POLITICAL  
SITUATION WILL, IT IS BELIEVED, COME TO A "SHOWDOWN"  
WHEN THE FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL MEETS ON MARCH 26 TO  
CELEBRATE THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS ORGANISATION.

Climaxing the recent large-scale mobilisation of troops, Premier Benito Mussolini is expected to make an important declaration on Italy's diplomatic policies vis-a-vis the civil war in Spain and colonial problems.

#### COLONIAL LEADERS IN ROME

Back here on urgent summons of Premier Mussolini, the Viceroy of Abyssinia, the Duke of Aosta, Marshal Italo Balbo, Governor-General of Libya, and Marshal Badoglio, who recently reviewed the Italian forces in Libya, on Friday night attended the Supreme Military Council at Palazzo Venezia.

#### GERMANY'S TURN TO WORRY Wave Of Armaments Come Over World

BERLIN, Mar. 12.  
WHAT GERMANY needs at the present time is peace, declared Admiral Raeder, addressing a big audience, which included Herr Adolf Hitler, at the Opera House celebration of Heroes' Memorial Day.

"There are signs that mischievous hands are at work to undermine this new peace which we obtained. A wave of armaments has come over the world, the gigantic extent of which, in connection with irresponsible war agitation, might kill or seriously jeopardise all that has been achieved with so much trouble.

#### "DON'T BLAME US"

"We deny nobody the right to take measures for security, but we cannot remain inactive if Germany is represented as solely responsible for the gigantic armament measures, or if it suggested that Germany alone has the intention of attacking her neighbours.

"Germany's work of reconstruction needs many years of quiet development.

"When the hope of real appeasement arose in the past year, the armaments pace of others only increased.

"Where we have achieved a lead in armaments, it shall be held. Where there is a deficiency, it shall be made up.

"Germany is the protector of all Germans on this side of, and beyond our frontiers."—Reuter.

Mr. T. E. Pearce has been appointed Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council during the absence of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.

## 25 WARSHIPS IN TEST OF SINGAPORE DEFENCE

About 25 warships of the China and East Indies Stations—cruisers, destroyers, submarines, an escort vessel and an aircraft-carrying ship—will take part in manoeuvres off the coast of Singapore this month during which the fixed defences of the fortress will be tested.

They began last week when the destroyers Duncan, Doughty, Duchess and Diamond manoeuvred stealthily without lights in Singapore waters, after their arrival from Hongkong.

The naval exercises will culminate in an "attack" on Singapore early on Friday morning, during Singapore's first compulsory black-out.

Seafarers warplanes and troops of the garrison will take part in the exercises.

**CRUISE TO STRAITS PORTS**  
The four destroyers are making a cruise to Malacca Straits ports.

The four destroyers will return to Singapore to-day, when the cruisers Manchester and Norfolk from the East Indies Station will arrive at Singapore from Rangoon, and the submarines Orpheus and Proteus will also arrive after carrying out exercises in the Malacca Straits.

After a cruise of Netherlands Indies ports, the depot ship Medway and its submarines—Regulus, Regent

#### JAPANESE DEMANDS

#### Puppets Tell S.M.C. What They Want

#### 40,000 MOBILISED

Informed quarters estimate that between 300,000 and 400,000 troops have been affected by the recent general mobilisation.

With the military measures concluding in the coming fortnight, Premier Benito Mussolini is believed to make definite pronouncements on the European situation at the forthcoming Council session.

Describing the forthcoming statement by Premier Mussolini as "a bombshell declaration," some circles express the fear that as the situation stands another grave crisis will develop in connection with the strained Italo-French relations on the border of Tunis.—Dome.

Mr. S. H. Dodwell has been appointed Unofficial Member of the Executive Council during the absence of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.

#### JAPANESE REPORT DENIED

Shanghai, Mar. 12.

French police, commenting on a "Dome" story that the French Concession authorities had ordered Chinese Nationalist flags to be taken down, denied that such an order was given.

Throughout French Concession and the International Settlement, Nationalist flags are at half-mast to-day

commemorating the 14th anniversary of Sun Yat-sen's death.—United Press.

#### Japan's Record Budget

TOKYO, Mar. 12.  
JAPAN'S BUDGET for 1939-40 amounts to 10,410,000,000 yen.

It includes the ordinary Budget at 8,694,000,000 yen, and an extraordinary Military Budget for the China Incident of 4,605,000,000 yen, and a supplementary Budget for the Navy and War Ministries of 910,000,000 yen.—Reuter.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Canada arrived at Vancouver yesterday.

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Miss Lau Ching has been

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# INQUIRY INTO AFFAIRS OF 350-CINEMAS GROUP

## Board Of Trade Appoints Inspector

SHAREHOLDERS' demands for an inquiry have resulted in the appointment of Mr. Russell Kettle—a partner in the firm of Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths and Co., chartered accountants—as an inspector to investigate the affairs of the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, which controls about 350 cinemas.

This announcement by the Board of Trade recently follows an application made about a year ago by a body of shareholders representing more than the stipulated one-tenth of the share capital of £6,250,000.

The committee of shareholders stated in their circular that they wanted an inquiry into how the company's subscribed capital had been utilised.

Information was also sought on the present state of the company's affairs and on the agreement with the Fox Film Corporation, an American undertaking.

### REPORT TO BOARD

Under this agreement it was stated that some control of Gaumont-British was given to Fox-Film Corporation through its holding in Metropolis and Bradford Trust, which holds 65 per cent. of Gaumont-British shares.

The Companies Act provided that it shall be the duty of all officers and agents of the company to produce to the inspector the books and documents in their custody. The inspector can examine the officers on oath and he has to report to the Board of Trade.

Gaumont-British affairs have been in the public eye recently. At the beginning of this year it was announced that negotiations were proceeding by which it was hoped Odeon Theatres would make an offer for the Gaumont shares and also the voting shares of the Ostrer group.

The proposed offer was not to be made until there had been an examination of accounts and a survey of properties. This was expected to take place in March or April, but the latest move may cause delay.

## DOCTOR TRIED 'TERROR' DRUG

Concerned at the number of mental patients who feared the drug cardiazol, Dr. J. E. O'N. Gillespie, of the Holloway Sanatorium, Virginia Water, Surrey, tried it on himself.

Cardiazol produces convulsions, which in certain circumstances "will the effects of mental disorders."

Some patients told Dr. Gillespie that "he very thought of taking the drug again makes me shiver with fear."

Dr. Gillespie, having taken his injection, experienced this:

"I felt my body and limbs coming to lie straight in the bed and my head turning to a central position."

"Then, very rapidly, something seemed to move in my arms and thorax and to pass up to the base of my neck, where it stopped and increased in intensity. Unconsciousness developed quickly . . . ."

Dr. Gillespie describes his experience in a recent issue of "The Lancet."

magenta of last season with more delicate amethyst mauves and two sugar-sweet colours known as sea pink and amaranth.

An important range showing the new "Indy-like" influence in clothes and colourings is the scale of greys and beiges. Caribou is a very warm dark grey. Ash grey is rather cooler in tone and manilla is the new beige.

Mixtures of grey and beige, with darker contrasting accents, will be a feature of spring colour-schemes for day outifts.

At the end of two and half hours of uninterrupted discussion (not all of it about the definition) Dr. Denis



Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy gave a Gay Nines party in Beverly Hills, Cal., and here is some of the fun as guests enact the Can-can dance. Left to right: Betty Grable, Princess Baba, Martha Raye and Dorothy Lamour.

## Experts Failed To Answer A Mere Layman's Query

A HUNDRED medical psychology experts from all parts of the country recently failed to answer the question: "What is psychological treatment?"

Mr. Henderson, a Home Office official, unable to attend, sent the question with his letter of regret.

He was being asked the question more and more by interested laymen, he said, and he would like to have a definition by experts in words the layman could understand.

Dr. Edelstone, of Leeds, provided the homespun definition: "Psychological treatment supplies the parental affection the patient has never had."

THE COMFORTER

Miss Madeline Symons, J.P., said: "I am convinced that it is no impenetrable scientific mystery, but common sense."

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Carroll, director of the Institute for the Scientific Treatment of Delinquency, W.1, comforted his colleagues by announcing that he was writing a pamphlet on the subject expressed entirely in non-scientific terms.

The psychologists were attending the only public meeting of the fourth biennial Child Guidance Inter-Clinic Conference at the British Medical Association House, W.C.1.

They brought stories from clinics

throughout the country which showed

the advances made recently by

sending delinquent children to re-

mand centres and foster-homes in-

stead of to prison.

2,000 "GOOD," 2,000 "BAD"

Professor A. M. Carr-Saunders, of

the London School of Economics,

outlined the work of the Home

Office inquiry into the causes of

juvenile delinquency being carried

out under his direction.

A thousand boys from London and

a thousand from Cardiff, Hull, Leeds,

Manchester, Nottingham and Shef-

field, guilty of indictable offences,

are being compared with 2,000 boys

of the same ages from the same

schools who have never been in

conflict with authority.

No such comprehensive investiga-

tion "on-the-spot" has so far been

attempted, said Professor Carr-

Saunders. There are 59 headings on

the questionnaire.

TALK WITH CLOWN

Listeners heard the conversation.

Thousands of radio listeners heard

them. Television viewers watched

them. The girls in the Post

Office's Faraday House were 20 other

operators talking in half-a-dozen

tongues to twice as many countries.

Eric Mitchell, the commentator,

wanted Captain Townley of the Aqui-

tuna, two days out from England.

He was talking to him within a

minute. It was Miss Hilda Collins

who put him through.

COMING to KING'S

Scientists Urge Madrid Test Of Anti-Nerve "Pill"

## Secret Drug Will Make Nations Panic Proof

LOCKED IN THE SAFE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH IS THE SECRET FORMULA OF A GLANDULAR-VITAMIN PREPARATION PLANNED TO MAKE BRITAIN'S CIVILIAN POPULATION PANIC-PROOF IN WAR-TIME.

While the formula has been submitted only for experimental purposes, it is understood that Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, is taking a keen interest in the preparation.

It has been suggested that medical experts, acting for the Government, should go to Madrid to study the effect of the preparation on the war-stricken population.

### In Capsule Form

Sir John Anderson's department is said to be in consultation with the Ministry of Health as to the possibility of issuing the preparation in a simple and safe capsule form.

### Made A Fortune Out Of Fairies

WILLIAM Butler Yeats, the Irish poet whose death at the age of seventy-three was announced recently, made a fortune out of fairies.

His poems and plays were about places and people existing only in his mind.

People thought he really believed in fairies until one day he said: "Fairies . . . pooh! What are fairies? What they call fairies in Galway they call spirits at Soho square."

Not only was he a writer of exquisite lyrics, but his appearance was in keeping with the popular conception of a poet.

With a shabby black cloak over his shoulders, a soft black sombrero on his head, a voluminous black silk tie round his neck, he wandered through the streets of Dublin with his hands behind his back and his head in the air.

He looked mild and gentle, but he had a quick sense of humour. When telephoned in 1923 to be told that he had won the Nobel Prize for

The Government are impressed with the claims of the inventor, and hope that if its issue can be restricted to prevent over-dosing it will play a valuable part in the protection of the civil population, especially women and children.

The idea of the formula is to alleviate human misery in times of great stress, the *Daily Sketch* was told by one in close touch with the inventor.

"Such a preparation" in war-time would be of inestimable value.

Scientists who have been investigating the properties of the "pills" say that Madrid, during a bombardment, would provide ideal conditions for experiment.

Literature he said: "Good. How much is it worth in English money?"

"COME TO SUPPER" When told "About £7,000," he said: "That's good news. Come to supper. My wife is frying sausages."

For years school children have learned his poem, "The Lake Isle of Innisfree." He wrote it in a London park when he was a young man. Though he would never say where "Innisfree" was, it was said to be a rocky islet in Lough Gill, known locally as Rat Island. The fame of the poem took many literary pilgrims to Sligo.

He lived at Rathfarnham at the foot of the Dublin mountains, but in recent years, because of his health, he went to the Riviera in the winter. It was at Mentone that he died. He married in 1917 and leaves a wife and a son and daughter.

### Debutante Will Sue Count

MISS Diana Ursula Challacombe, beautiful young blonde, among last year's debutantes, is plaintiff in an action pending in the High Court.

She is suing Count Manfred Czernin, of York-terrace, Regents' Park, N.W., for damages for alleged assault and battery.

The claim arises out of incidents said to have taken place after a dinner party at Lansdowne House on November 30. The defence is a denial of the allegations.

Count Czernin is a cousin of the wife of Dr. Schuchnigg, ex-Austrian Chancellor.

### IS AIRWOMAN

The action has been set down for hearing in the special Jury list of the King's Bench Division, but is not expected to be reached this term.

Tall and slim, Miss Challacombe, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Nicholson Challacombe, has appeared in several films and on the stage.

She is, too, a well-known sports-woman. At school she won eight cups for sport, including tennis and swimming, and holds a record for high jumping. Riding and squash are other forms of sport in which she excels.

Recently she took up flying and holds a pilot's certificate.

### Free Meals For Good Taste

Toledo, O. — Students more vitamin-conscious than ever before are being rewarded every day to those who choose their food the most scientifically in the school cafeteria.

### State Railways

Canberra, Australia. — State owned railways are charitable. Minister of the Interior McEwen has arranged for free transportation on the Commonwealth Railways of children, and their escorts, when travelling for medical examination and treatment.



Here is a picture from Spain, taken during General Francisco Franco's Insurgent drive on the Loyalist capital of Barcelona. It shows a supply truck near Artesa del Segre hit by Loyalist air raiders. An Insurgent soldier attempts to salvage some of the material from the truck, set afire by the bombs.

## Brutality By The Police Alleged

### MEMBERS of Parliament

M recently gave evidence in support of a demand for an inquiry into allegations that police used unnecessary brutality in dispersing "Arms for Spain" demonstrators in the West End.

So many statements have been made that defenceless and unarmed men and women were charged and beaten during orderly picketing that the National Council of Civil Liberties decided to lay the evidence before Parliament.

The Commissioner of Police also received signed statements from witnesses of alleged police violence.

Among the people alleged to have been injured in Parliament Square

was Mrs. Joyce Lee, of Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, S.W.

### SERIOUS WOUNDS

Her right eye was closed and swollen.

A doctor who is attending her found serious wounds over both eyes, and an X-ray examination is to be made to determine whether there is any fracture of the skull.

Mrs. Lee's thigh is also sprained, and numerous bruises make it difficult for her to walk without assistance.

### Ship Beached Near City

Sydney, N. S. W. — Sydney had a shipwreck at its front door. The freighter Sydney Star, after a collision with the coastal freighter Macumba, late at night, had to be beached at Rose Bay, near the Empire flying-boat base.

## THE BUSINESS BAROMETER

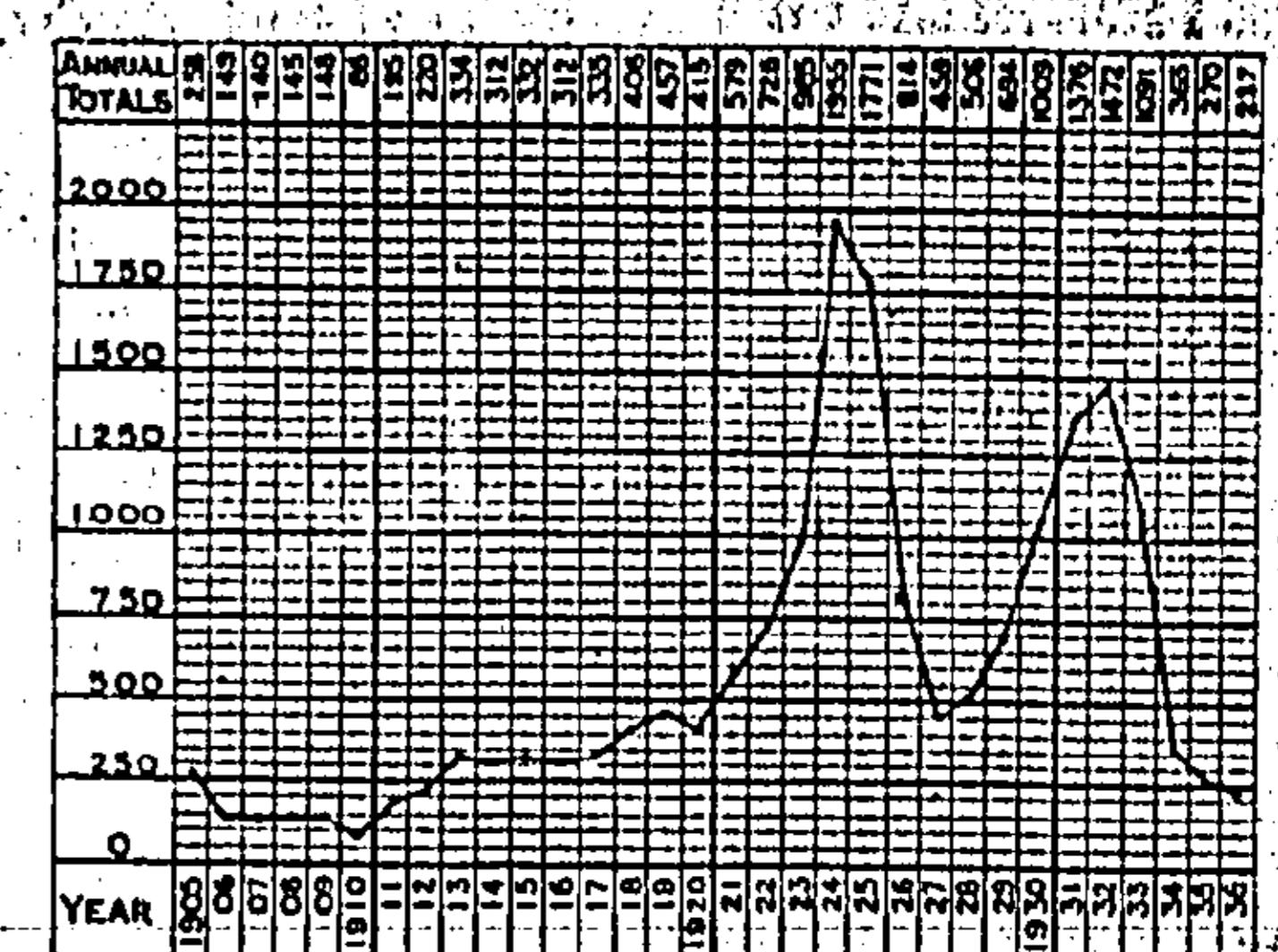


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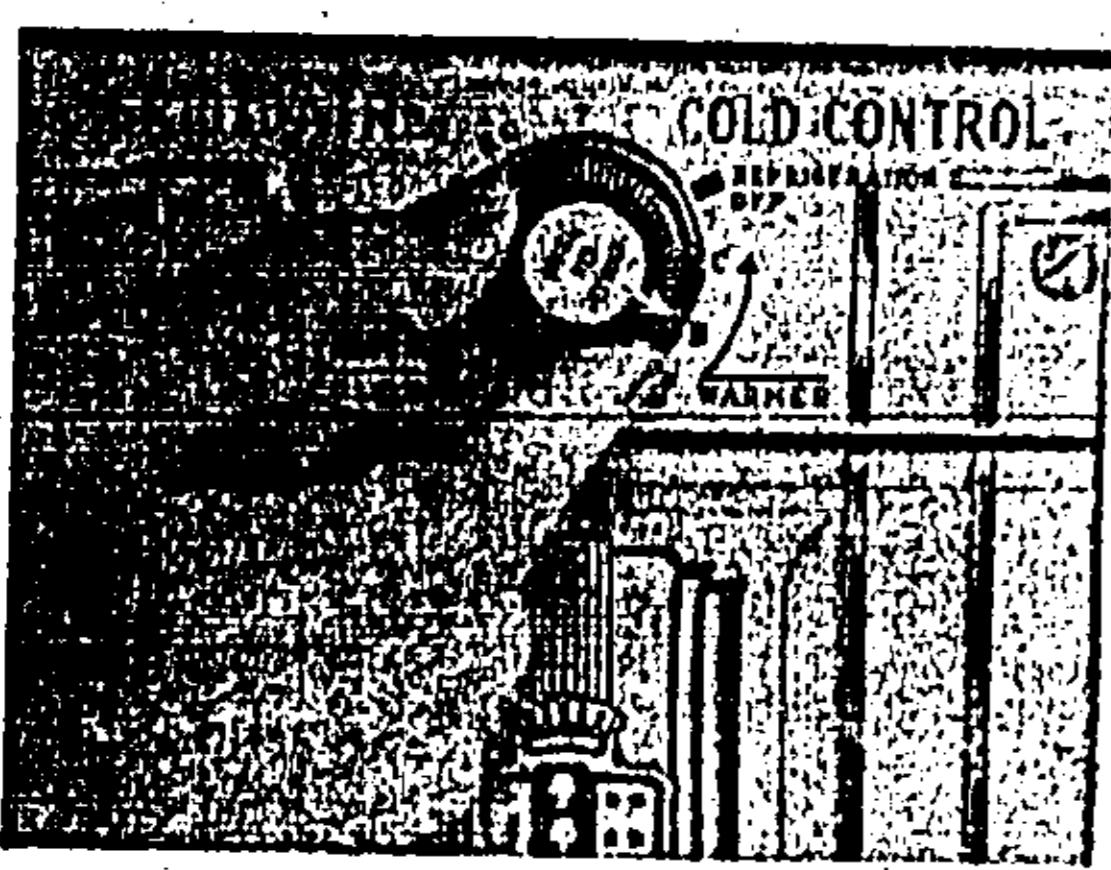
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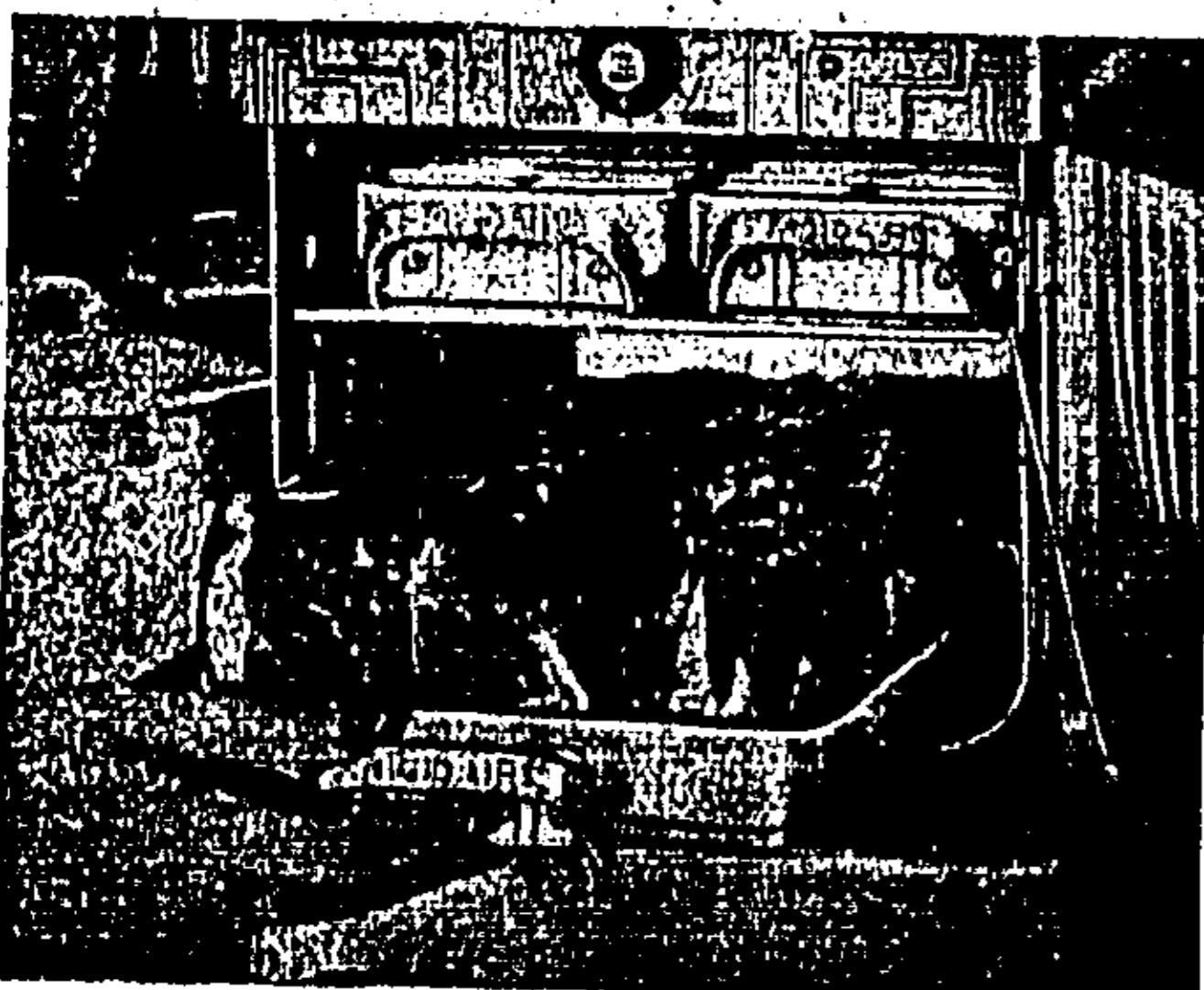
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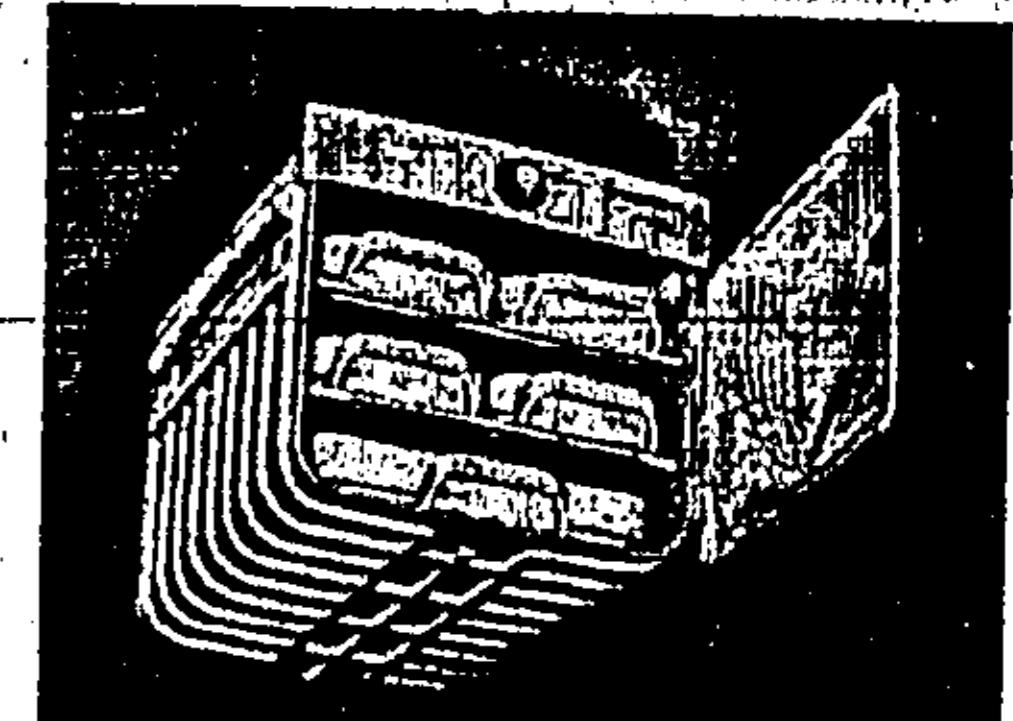
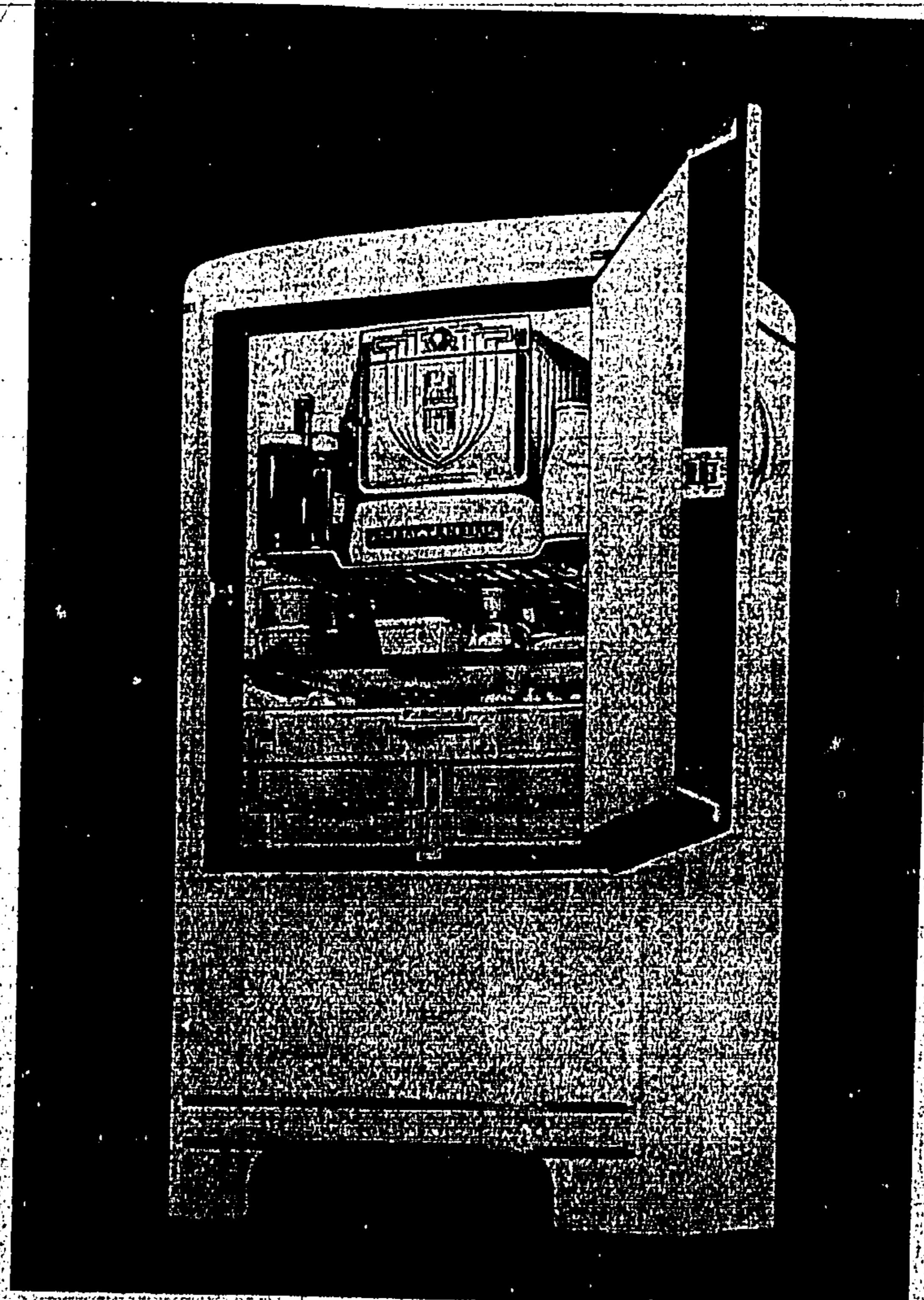
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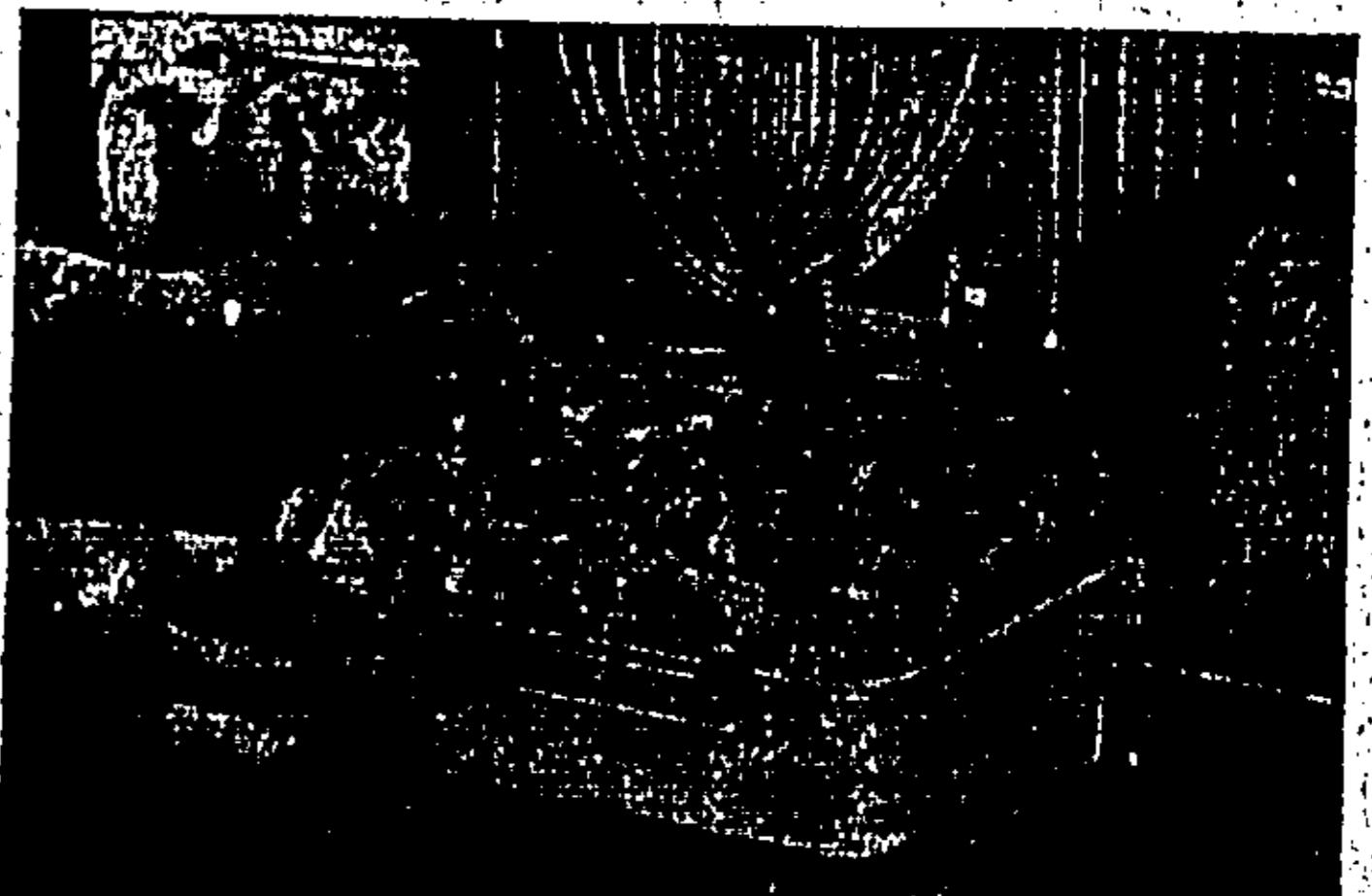
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50 YEARS AGO

March 13, 1889.  
Hongkong Jockey Club—Tenders are invited for Plans and Estimates for a New Grand Stand. M. Grote, Acting Clerk of the Course.

W. S. Gilbert says he would abolish tights on the stage if they were not worn to enhance the attractions of a leg. "A Rosalind" had then eminent playwright, and wear decent tights, but they are necessary for the part. But what I object to are the rows of ladies' tight-clothed legs, which are merely worn, in my opinion, to gratify the eyes of the young gentlemen in the stalls. In the old days, when I wrote burlesques, I was glad enough to get my scenes produced, but, having no mother, I had no choice in the matter. When I came into power I was told that burlesques without legs meant ruin. As I have told you, I consider our Savoy pieces burlesques; was I right or wrong?

News has been received from Lake Nyassa that General Lugard is still holding Karonga with a greatly reduced garrison, including no Europeans, the remaining having left owing to ill health. The Sultan's commissioner had nearly arranged peace with the Arabs. (Eighteen years later Lord Lugard became Governor of Hongkong—Ed.)

Public feeling in France regarding the chances of the Panama Canal Company was one of utter despondency. De Lesseps, in an interview, said that if all the 60,000 bonds issued through the Banque Paribsenno are not taken, the enterprise must be abandoned, and a foreign nation would, for a modicum of bread, get the gigantic work, which was nearly finished, for nothing. French investors have spent their millions. The canal would be completed, but neither by nor for the French—(The ubiquitous mosquito defeated de Lesseps' great work. For nearly 20 years the project was abandoned, to be resumed in the United States, which lacked malaria but had the means for cutting. The canal was opened in 1914. The ruins of de Lesseps' project can still be seen near the U.S. built canal.—Ed.)

25 YEARS AGO

March 13, 1914.  
Mrs. Pankhurst was addressing a gathering of suffragists at St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, when a large force of police, with truncheons drawn, rushed into the middle. A fierce fight ensued. The platform was guarded by barbed wire concealed in flowers.

The Times announces that in view of the grave importance of the political situation it reduces its price on and after March 10 to one penny.

The finely modelled steel screw steamer "Tungchow" built to the order of the China Navigation Co., Ltd., their Shanghai branch, was launched from the Foochow Dockyard. Mr. Hallifax performed the christening ceremony.

Reuter's correspondent at Hankow states that "White Wolf" has burned part of Laohekow, an important city in Hupeh. The troops holding the city mutinied. Telegrams from Laohekow state that one foreigner was killed and one wounded. Their names are not ascertained; probably they are Norwegian missionaries.

10 YEARS AGO

March 13, 1929.  
One of the worst fire disasters in the history of the Colony occurred in the early hours of this morning, the King Edward Hotel being completely gutted, the blaze spreading into the upper stories of the Savoy Hotel.

The most tragic feature was the loss of several lives, including a number of Europeans, whilst among the injured were General Chang Ming-shih, the Civil Governor of Kwangtung, and his wife, who like many others escaped from the blazing building and had exceedingly narrow escapes.

The fact that the fire escapes could not reach the upper floors of the burning hotel was largely responsible for the fatalities. Numbers of residents were trapped and there were exciting scenes as they leaped into the burning sheets held out by firemen and volunteers.

One European lady, Mrs. D. J. Robson, the wife of a Naval Yard Officer, jumped from the fourth floor into the street and was killed instantaneously. Mr. Robson perished in the flames.

Several charred bodies were found this morning, being recovered in the cased apartment of the building. It is feared that Mr. Eric Seth, who was on a holiday visit to the Colony, is among the missing.

One of the earliest Europeans on the scene was Mr. N. V. G. Broder, of Messrs. Benjamin and Broder, who was among those who rendered assistance in rescuing the trapped sheets into which entrapped residents of the Hotel jumped.

The manager of the hotel, Mr. J. H. Witchell, who lived on the fifth floor, and his family had exceedingly narrow escapes.

5 YEARS AGO

March 13, 1934.

An important decision taken by the Admiralty in regard to the problem of saving lives from sunken submarines was announced by the First Lord, Sir Ernest Bevin. Monsell in the debate on the naval estimates. After the fullest consideration, he stated, the conclusion had been reached that the raising of a sunken submarine in time to save the crew by that means was not only certain, and indeed the only practical method, but that it was also the best way to save the lives of the crew.

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outside world, writes the diplomatic correspondent of the "Observer" although, he adds, a great deal has happened.

In Prague, the appointment of a new Slovak Cabinet is regarded as a provisional compromise, which for the time being, ensures a constitutional government in Slovakia.

Slovak opinion is divided between the new Premier Sidor and the youthful Radicals demanding separation.

Another factor is the German minority which, although numerically weak, clamours loudly on behalf of the Slovak extremists, whose leader asserts that behind them stands the power of the Reich.

A very hopeful feature is the absence of any reported incidents.

**GERMAN PROTECTION?**

Well-informed circles are of the opinion that it is probable M. Sidor's Government may be compelled to demand the withdrawal of Czech forces, after which, the recently disposed leaders may return. There

is some talk of the possibility of a separate Slovak State under German protection, with a customs and currency union with the Reich.

Hitherto the German Government has taken no active steps, nor replied to ex-Premier Tiso's note requesting help. German officials confess inability to read the situation clearly, but deplore its dangerous possibilities.

Semi-official German opinion tends to regard Sidor's Government as a paper Ministry, but lack of positive German action had given rise to the belief in some quarters that the Reich has not decided whether it is opportune to back the Slovak secessionists to the full.—Reuter.

**HUNGARIAN CLAIM**

Warsaw, Mar. 12.—The view that Ruthenia should be incorporated in Hungary was expressed by Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister in a statement to the Foreign Affairs Commission, in which he shed light on certain important aspects of foreign policy.

He said that the Government had no declaration to make on the Ukrainian problem. It was raised by Rumania's recent anti-Nazi action is regarded here as symptomatic of the growing feeling in Central Europe that resistance to German aggression which was broken at Munich, must be built up again.

At the same time, it is suggested that the Slovak events may be behind-scenes in the council's move to obtain common Polish-Hungarian frontier.—Reuter.

Colonel Beck next referred to Poland's interest in the Baltic region, the situation at Danzig, and the negotiations with Germany on the subject of the minorities.

**COLONIAL CLAIMS**

Dealing with colonial claims which "life obliges us to consider" Colonel Beck said that foreign attitude to Poland was becoming more and more friendly. The Government had not formulated precise demands or plans, but it was convinced that it would be called to table deliberations as soon as the question was ready for international discussion.

The problem of Jewish emigration must be settled in collaboration with States in possession of territories for emigrants, and the Jews themselves.—United Press.

**ILL-TREATMENT REPORTS**

Berlin, Mar. 12.—A stream of reports of ill-treatment of Germans in Czechoslovakia is pouring into Berlin, recalling similar reports during the September crisis.

Newspapers allege that many Germans have been wounded, and the windows of German shops smashed.

The German News Agency alleges that Czechs attacked the Hlinka Guards at Pressburg with fixed bayonets, and wounded eleven of them.

The "Zelt," the former student organ now published in Germany, reports that German students were wounded by Czechs in Prague. It adds that at Brno Czechs smashed the windows of German houses, and numerous attempts were made to tear down the Swastika flag.

About the same time, a German fireman was assaulted by Czechs in a street and knocked down.

When a Czech crowd sang the Czech National Anthem in the largest square in the city, a German, who did not take off his hat, and his wife were assaulted. The police, it is alleged, did not interfere.

Another incident took place when a German student was attacked by Czechs.

News of the incidents attracted large crowds, who marched through the streets singing German songs, and protesting against the Czechs.

A further affair took place in Prague when several young Germans in a Czech cafe were assaulted by Czechs as they sang German songs. Two of the Germans were seriously injured in the fight, while the police arrested one of the assailants.

It is alleged that a German who did not remove his hat during the song was struck down.

The "Zelt" finally declares that there is talk in Prague of a putsch this week for the return of Benes.

The same Agency reports from Bratislava that the chief of the Hlinka Guards has issued a manifesto declaring that Premier Sidor is "no longer worthy to call himself Commander-in-Chief of the Guards."

It is suggested in Budapest that an independent Slovak State is to be formed under German protection.—Reuter.

**LEFTIST PUTSCH  
RUMOURS**

Reichenberg, Mar. 12.—Rumours of a Leftist putsch to take place this week are current among followers of the dissolved Czech Leftist party, according to messages from Prague.

The aim would be to bring ex-President Benes and his group to power again.

The putsch plans are said to be backed by Communists and a part of the General Staff.

The planned coup would also extend to Slovakia—Trans-Ocean.

**DIPLOMATS PUZZLED**

London, Mar. 12.—The anniversary of the Anschluss found diplomatic circles puzzled when this week's events in Czechoslovakia have paralleled another recent German-Danish-Osmanli-Ottoman conflict, in which Germany

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the Slovak Diet; the Minister of Commerce is Dr. Peter Zatko, State General of the Slovak Industrial Association and the Finance Minister is Dr. Hrnciar Young, hitherto an unknown member of the Slovak National Unity Party—United Press.

Leaders in Conference Berlin, Mar. 11.—Herr Adolf Hitler to-day conferred with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop and other high officials on the Slovak crisis. It is reliably reported that Hitler decided to await further developments before taking definite action.

The Nazis seem to feel that the Czech Government has betrayed Germany by dismissing Dr. Tiso and his associates. It is reliably reported that Hitler will not tolerate any action which he considers violates the Munich and Vienna Agreements.—United Press.

Vienna Trouble-Making Vienna, Mar. 12.—A leading official of the Nazi Party in Vienna left to-night for Bratislava. No explanation is given regarding his mission.

Meanwhile the Vienna wireless station is broadcasting every half hour appeals to the Slovak population in their own language to carry on the fight against the Prague Government. The broadcasts also accuse the Prague Government of provoking the crisis. The announcer to-night spoke of concentrated Czech troop movements on the German-Slovak frontier.—Reuter.

France Not Moving Paris, Mar. 11.—The spirit of Munich has permeated the European chancelleries of all Powers and has left Berlin a free hand to attempt to impose a settlement between the Czechs and Slovaks. France has not moved to prevent the second stage of dismemberment of a once powerful ally, although she is still hopeful that complete dismemberment can be avoided.

There is definitely no tension similar to that in September, because France feels she is not bound by any further issue for Germany's Central European policy at a time when Herr von Ribbentrop would rather not have had it raised.

On the one hand the Vienna broadcasting station was instructed to support the Slovak separatist issue, while German influence on the other helped to bring about a quietening emotion.

In one sense the Bratislava incidents are regarded as merely emphasising the underlying argument for changing from a state of jitters to one of confidence.—Reuter.

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It is also notified that sealed tenders marked "Tender for New Government Store, North Point," will be received until noon of March 27. The work consists of the erection of a store and offices.

agreement to interfere.—United Press.

**Diplomatic Confidence** London, Mar. 12.—Hope of the formation of a new Government under M. Sidor to end the Slovak crisis is expressed by correspondents from Central Europe, although it is admitted that Germany's indeterminate attitudes introduce an element of uncertainty.

The more confident view held in Whitehall of the prospect of a European settlement is unaffected by the sudden crisis, says the Observer's diplomatic correspondent.

He adds that evidence received in London does not suggest that Dr. Tiso's attempted coup was the result of any immediate German arrangement. Indeed there is evidence to suggest that Dr. Tiso proved more German than the Germans, and caused embarrassment to Chancellor Hitler and Herr von Ribbentrop. By appealing direct to Berlin he raised a further issue for Germany's Central European policy at a time when Herr von Ribbentrop would rather not have had it raised.

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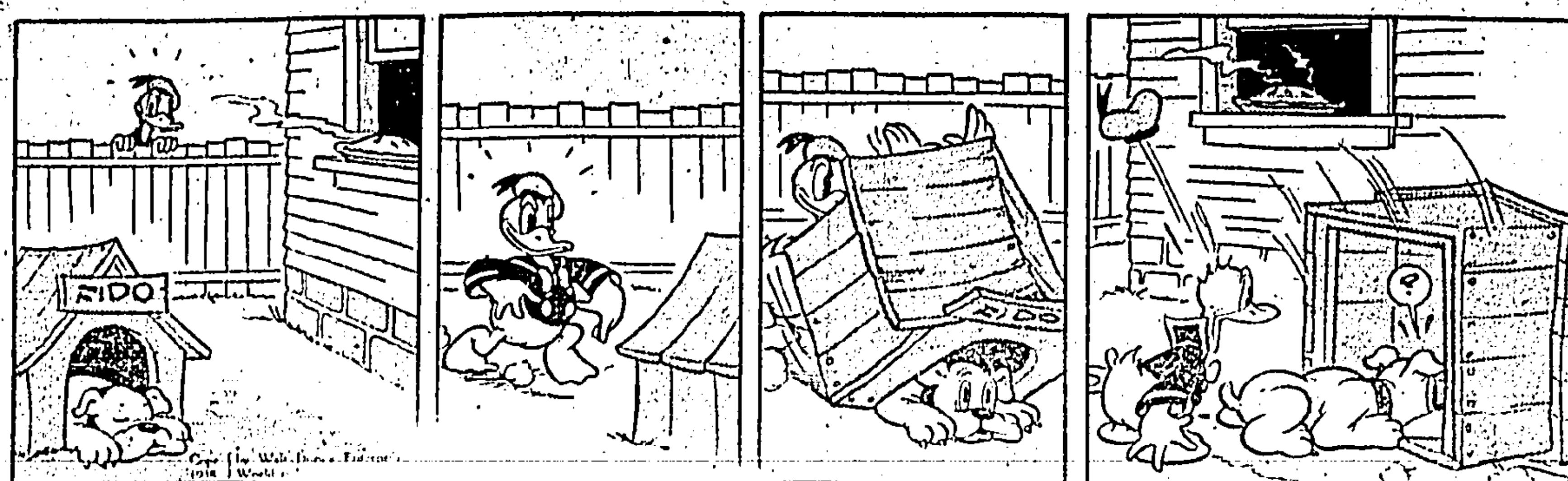
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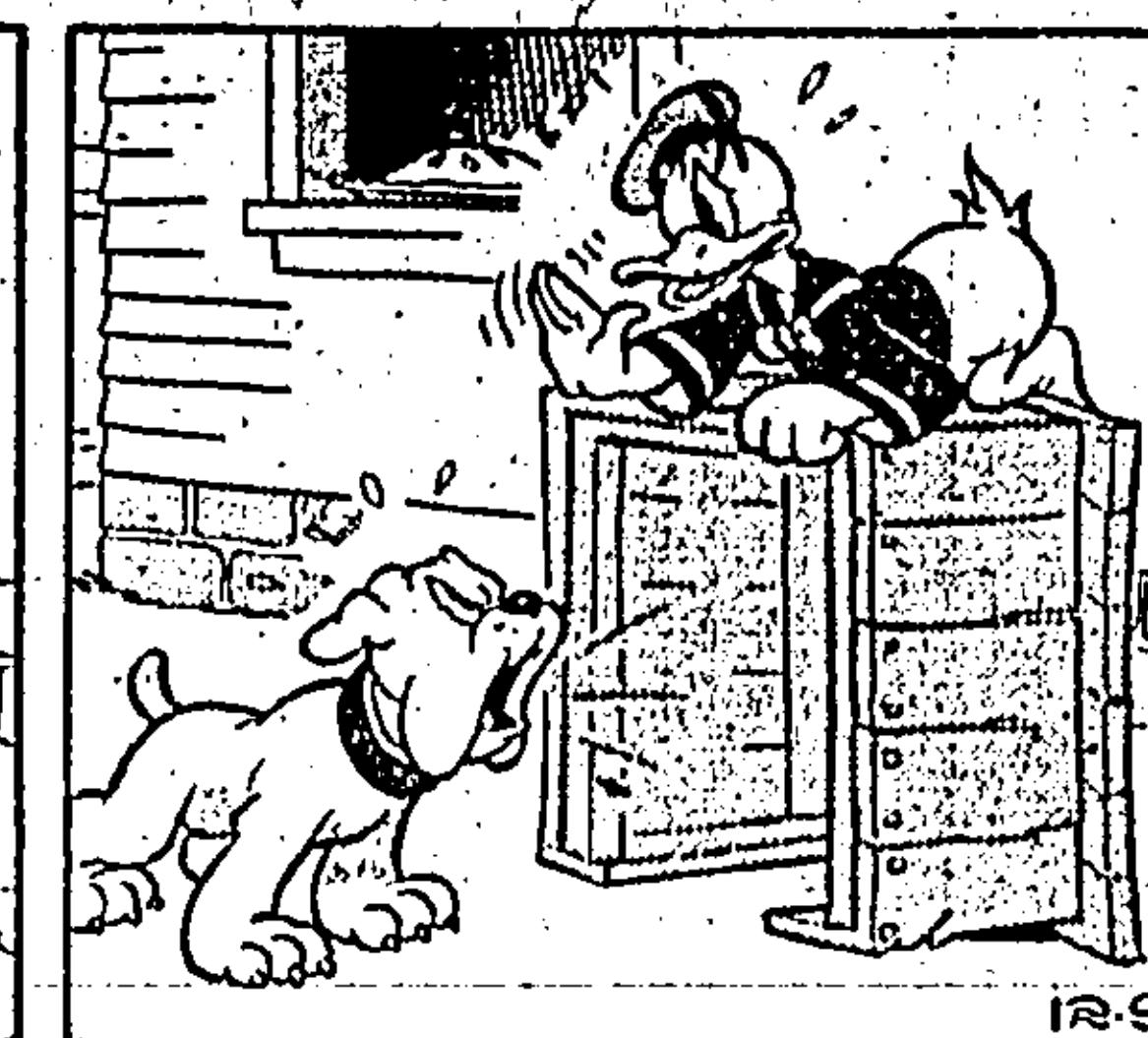
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1.30 Reuter &amp; Rudy Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Schumann—Concerto in D Minor.

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## LONDON MUSIC HALL

## 6.0 "For The Children."

Nursery Rhymes (Traditional Tunes); "Hot Cross Buns"; Pussy Cat; Hickory Dickory Dock; Oh Dear! What Can the Matter Bee; The Bonnie Brian Bush; When the King Enjoys His Own; Sing a Song of Sixpence; Three Blind Mice; Jack and Jill; Humpty Dumpty; Little Bo Peep; Hey Diddle Diddle; I Saw A Ship On Sailing . . . . British Light Orchestra cond. by Stephen S. Moore; More "Very Young" Songs (A. A. Milne-Fraser-Simpson) (a) Blinder; (b) Shoes and Stockings; (c) Forgiven . . . . George Baker (Baritone) with Piano; Studio—Serial Story; Little Drummer Boy (Noel & Petros); Little Carlisle (Vocal) with Orchestra; Here Comes The Sandman (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air') . . . .

## 6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

Smiling Eyes (Nawahi); Hawaiian Love Bird (Denniker & Ruzaf); . . . King Nawahi's Hawaiians; Papalina Lahilahi (Noble); Helewa (Wood); . . . Ray Minney with Dick McInire's Harmony Hawaiians; Lion Rag Lonesome Without My Baby . . . . Masters' Hawaiians.

6.51 Frances Langford (Vocal). I've Got You Under My Skin (film Born to Dance); Rap Tap On Wood (film Born to Dance) . . . . with Jimmy Dorsey & His Orch; Sweet Heartache (film "The Hit Parade") . . . . with Victor Young & His Orch.

## 7.0 Latest Dance Music.

Quickstep—I've Got A Pocketful Of Dreams (film "Sing You Sinners") . . . . M. Pierre & His Strict Dance Tempo Orchestra; Comely Quickstep—Oh Will You Wish My Father's Shirt?; Fox-Trot—The Merry-Go-Round . . . . Sid Millward & His Nitwits; Slow Fox-Trot—Penny Serenade; Witz—Never Break A Promise . . . . Geraldo & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

11.0 Close down.

7.15 Studio—"Business as Usual" a talk by Mr. Cyril Champlin.

## 7.30 B.B.C. Recording—"London's River."

A programme devised and presented by William Maclure, Linking Dialogue by Valentine Dunn, Musical Arrangements by Rue Jenkins, 8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

## 8.03 London Relay—Music-Hall.

Including George Doonan (The life and soul of the party); Lily Morris (Comedienne); Bennett and Williams (Two jovial boys with their phonodaddies); Randolph Sutton (Britain's Premier Light Comedian) with The BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell; Presented by John Sharman.

## 9.0 London Relay—"Haunting Harmonies."

With Rene Pougnet and Clive Richardson at two pianos.

## 9.15 London Relay—"This is France."

1: 'Paris is not France'; a talk by E. M. Stephan.

## 9.30 London Relay—"The News."

9.50 Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

Ballet Egyptian (Luigini); Ent'reacte Gavotte ("Mignon") — Thomas; Menuett (Beethoven).

## 10.10 London Relay—"In Town To-night."

Introducing personalities from every walk of life in interviews with Lionel Gammie, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (Michael Standing interviews the "Man in the Street") Edited and produced by C. F. Mehan.

## 10.40 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—A Stranger in Parce (film "Gay Impostors"); Day Dreaming (film "Gay Impostors") . . . . Vincent Lopez & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus; Waltz—Tu-Li-Tulip Time; Fox-Trot—Beside A Moonlit Stream . . . . Horace Hecht & His Alemites; Brigadiers with Vocal Chorus; Fox-Trot—In A Little Toy Sailboat; Slow Fox-Trot—Small Fry (film "Sing, you Sinners") . . . . Geraldo & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

11.0 Close down.

## NATIONAL SERVICE

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weeks at time of writing, it is impossible to say whether or not it is succeeding.

## NATIONAL SERVICE

National Service was initiated about the last week in January with the issue of a White Paper listing several hundred "reserved occupations."

This meant that generally speaking those engaged in occupations listed should not volunteer for national service, and might not be required in war time, since their occupation comes under the heading of indispensable.

It was estimated that it accounted for about 7,000,000 of the working population. It contained many anomalies. For instance, the list included all the mechanical branches of the newspaper trade, but not the editorial staffs.

## 20,000 HANDBOOKS

At the same time as the White Paper, the Government, through the mills, distributed 20,000,000 handbooks to householders throughout the country. These 48-page booklets, in concise and simple language, rounded up all the various defence organisations the man-in-the-street can join if he wishes.

Brief particulars about the age limits, the nature of the work, how to join, and where to get additional information are set out for each service.

Officially entitled "National Service. A guide to the ways in which the people of this country may give service," it contains a message from Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain. This is a facsimile letter in Chamberlain's own hand-writing on No. 10 Downing Street notepaper. It reads:

10 Downing Street, London, S.W.1.  
January 1939.

In view of all of us it is

to peace with our neighbours.

Not to cause peace in mind.

It is strong. Be strong and

your heart and you are

anxious to play your part.

Be guided with pride to my.

I ask you to read it carefully

and to decide how you can

best help.

Yours sincerely,

Neville Chamberlain.

The wording of the first two sentences of this message caused a delay in the distribution of the handbooks. It had been planned to issue them about the first or second week in January, but Chamberlain and Lord Halifax were going to Rome on January 11, and it was felt that the Italian might not like that remark about "being strong."

The handbook also contains a foreword by Sir John Anderson. He says, "The call is to peace and not to war. We have no thought of aggression; our one wish is to live at peace with all peoples. But if this wish is to be fulfilled we must be up and doing. We must make ourselves strong so that our influence for peace may be real, and we must make ourselves safe so that others cannot be tempted to thoughts of aggression against us."

Anderson points out that the handbook offers new careers in the regular fighting services; that it helps to decide whether the reader is "engaged in work vital to the country's security, which is itself national service"; and that it is possible to undertake some new whole-time or part-time service in war time and to train for it in peace time.

## SERVICES LISTED

Here are the services listed in the handbook:

## MAINLY FOR YOUNGER MEN:

The auxiliary fire service, ages 18-42.

The Royal Naval volunteer reserve, ages 18-28.

The Army Supplementary reserve—Infantry of the line, ages 17-45.

The Royal Artillery, General service in field army, anti-aircraft and coastal defence units, ages 17-35.

The auxiliary air force flying squadrons, ages 18-30.

Those with some special qualifications or experience:

The Royal Naval reserve, for officers and skilled workers, such as drivers, for

the Royal Marines.

Those with some special qualifications or experience:

The Royal Marine Police Special reserve for ex-marine police, ages 18-35.

Radio amateurs, ages 18-35.

The Royal Fleet reserve for ex-sailors and ex-marines.

The Royal Air Force reserve for police personnel.

Consignatory auxiliary watchers, age over 18.

The Royal Fleet reserve for ex-sailors and ex-marines.

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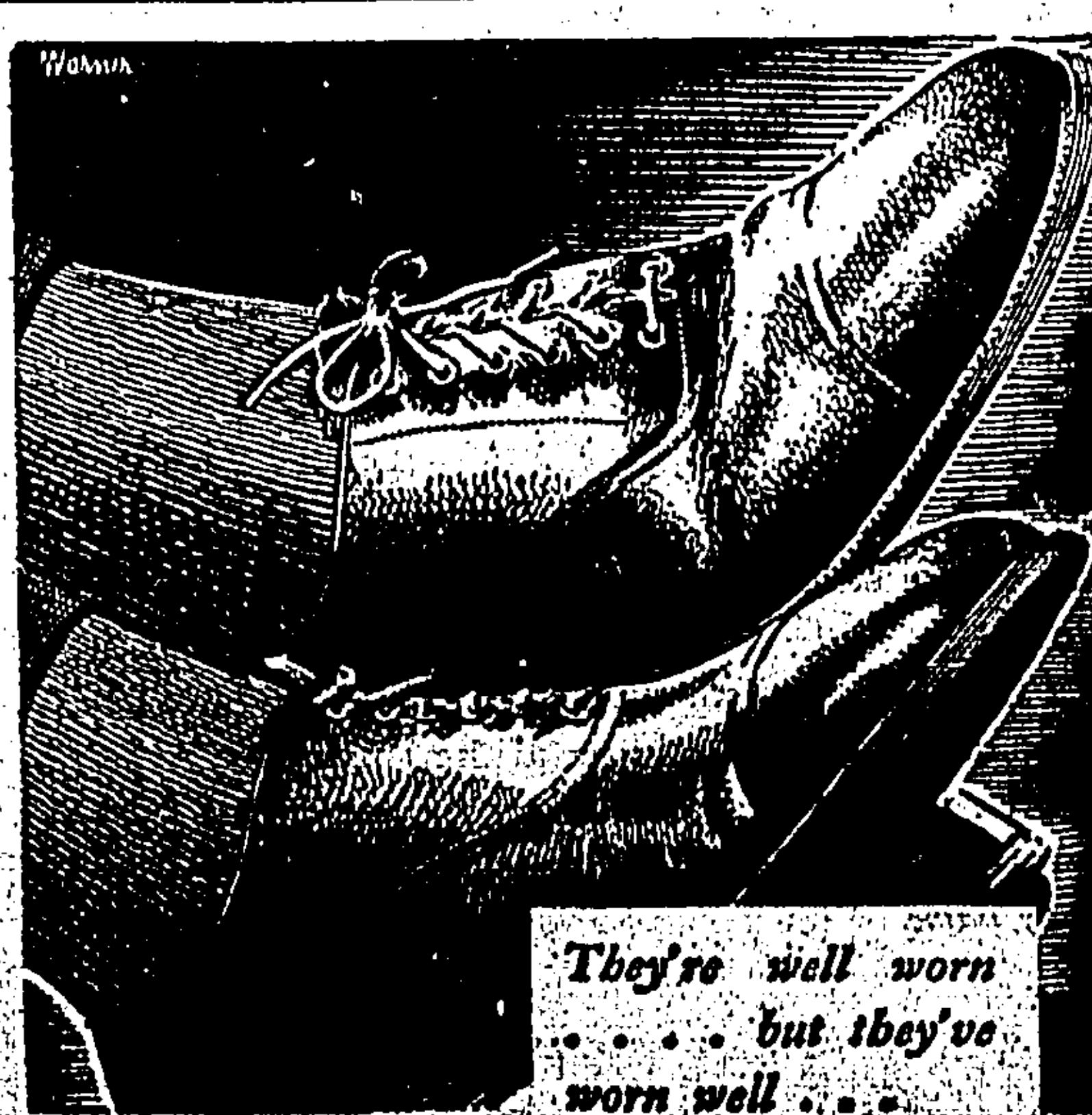
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## TO-DAY IN HISTORY

A BISHOP  
who sought health  
IN TAR-WATER

"I HAVE," said Dr. George Berkeley, Bishop of Cloyne, "brought more pains on this work than on any of my other productions."

Berkeley referred to a book entitled "Virtues of Tar-water," in which he extolled the benefits of a concoction for curing various ailments.

Accused of exaggerating, Berkeley retorted: "To speak out, I suspect tar-water is a panacea."

Whereupon the newspapers of the day waxed sarcastic at the bishop's expense. Here is an epigram published in one periodical:

"Who dare deride what pious Cloyne has done?

The Church shall rise and vindicate her son;

She tells us all her bishops shepherds are,

And shepherds heal their rotten sheep with tar."

His first preferment in the Church was the deanship of Derry. He was no sooner settled in this post than he conceived an idea for converting the North American Indians. He proposed the building of a college in Bermuda as a missionary school. He offered to resign his deanship, worth £1100 a year, and go out there as the first president at a salary of £100 a year.

Parliament considered the plan and gave its approval, and Berkeley made preparations to take a number of kindred spirits.

For seven years, however, Sir Robert Walpole made various excuses for withholding the charter and grant of £20,000 promised by the Government.

Meanwhile Berkeley had set sail for Rhode Island, accompanied by his wife—the daughter of the Speaker of the Irish House of Commons.

The whole scheme was doomed to failure, owing mainly to the breach of faith of Sir Robert Walpole, who eventually applied the money to other purposes.

After spending all the funds he could raise from his deanship and from other sources, Berkeley was forced to abandon his project for converting the Indians.

Through Dean Swift Berkeley had made the acquaintance of the celebrated Vanessa, Mrs. Hester Van Homregh, who, upon discovering that Swift was married, left Berkeley half her property. It appears that she had met him only once at dinner.

Berkeley suffered from what he described as nervous colic and could obtain relief only from his own specific.

After his return from Rhode Island, where he had spent three years waiting for the Government grant, he published the most useful of his works, "The Minute Philosopher," written in the form of dialogue.

It was a critical survey of the various forms of free-thinking of the time. It was warmly appreciated by certain sections of the Church, and was shown to the Queen, with whom Berkeley became a great favourite.

Through her influence he was appointed to the deanship of Down, and in 1736 promoted to the see of Cloyne.

In the same year his "Analyst," again on the subject of free-thinking, placed him in the centre of a hot controversy.

At this period Berkeley went into retirement, devoting himself to the discharge of his duties as Bishop, and in works of charity.

In 1745 he refused the see of Clogher, which would have doubled his income.

He kept up a correspondence with the prominent men of the day and wrote a number of pamphlets on various subjects. It was now that he wrote his treatise on the virtues of tar-water.

Despite the regular draughts of tar-water, Berkeley's health began to fail.

He was unable to carry on his work in Ireland, and he went to Oxford and requested permission of the King to resign his see with the view to obtaining a canonry in that city.

The King, however, refused to accept his resignation. "Berkeley shall die a bishop, in spite of himself," said George II, and he gave him permission to live wherever he pleased.

One of Berkeley's last acts was to make over £200 worth of rents from the see lands to Cloyne to poor housekeepers in his diocese.

Meanwhile, from 1707, he had been engaged as a college tutor. In 1712 he paid a short visit to England, and in April 1713 Swift presented him at Court.

He soon made himself popular in London and became chaplain to Lord Peterborough, whom he accompanied to the Continent, returning in August 1714.

From 1715 to 1720 he travelled again to Italy to the son of Dr. St. George Ashe, an Irish Bishop.

In 1721 the country was disturbed by the South Sea Bubble scandal, and Berkeley published an "Eady toward preventing the Ruin of Great Britain." In the same year he became chaplain to the Duke of Grafton, in Ireland.

He also describes a romance with a woman he met in America, and may have died accidentally in Hollywood, but London will always be in demand as a lecture.

He was buried in Christ Church, Oxford.

Berkeley is described as "a hand-

## GRIN AND BEAR IT

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## BRITAIN PREPARES-II

NATIONAL  
SERVICE

by

H. L. Percy

United Press Staff Correspondent

LINKED UP with Britain's anti-aircraft army are several voluntary organisations, which, while coming under the heading of Air Raid Precautions, are not actually military in the strict sense of the word.

For instance, there is the observer corps. Members of this, mostly on the coast, man observation posts, and give first warning of approaching enemy aircraft. A complicated code of telephone signals has already been arranged for flashing the warning to local headquarters. Recruits must be above the age of 30 and have good hearing and eyesight.

Then there is the balloon-barrage. Hundreds of blimps, dangling curtains of steel wire will encircle the principal cities. Their purpose is to force enemy planes to heights at which accurate bombing will be impossible. This was a more or less luke-warm weekly instruction in dealing with gas and bombs, and so forth.

**PUBLIC DEMAND**  
After the crisis, however, the public began to demand bigger and better defence. They demanded a compulsory national register, and, in some cases, compulsory national service.

The government's answer was that a compulsory register was not desirable, although with the machinery of the next census in 1941, such a register is being prepared which could be made compulsory in about three weeks instead of many months.

Services in the balloon-barrage squadrons is also voluntary, and is open to men aged between 25 and 50 as drivers, wire-handlers, riggers and fabric workers.

Another auxiliary service is the training of employees in factories and plants in anti-aircraft defence. Airplane factories, automobile plants, steel mills, and the "shadow" factories now turning out machinery, but which in wartime can be turned over to munitions, will be defended by their own staffs.

These men, classed as indispensable, are being equipped with machine-guns and light two-pounder guns for defence against low-flying attacks. Their uniform will be their coveralls, and they will be required to be able to get into action within 20 minutes of sounding the fall.

**LAST LINE OF DEFENCE**  
Britain's second and last line of defence in the next war will be her civil population.

An estimated total of 30,000,000 will be available for this vast "army of the rear" engaged only in passive defence. It will include some young men, unfit for fighting or indispensable; practically all men past the fighting age up to about 70; and all able-bodied women.

Under the general heading of "National Service," over a score of organisations are open to the civilian, all of them designed to contend with the effects and results of air attack. They range from air raid wardens to evacuation officers.

All service is completely voluntary at present, but as Sir John Anderson, unofficial Minister for Civil Defence, has explained, it can be made com-

plete by a law to be passed in the next three months. One of these seven points, one of his first steps will be the appointment of a "brain trust" of six leading business men to advise on defence problems, and receive representations regarding delays, defects and difficulties.

Before Parliament rose for the Christmas vacation, he announced that in January a national service would be introduced. He said it would be entirely voluntary, and for a trial period of three months only.

At the end of this month, Parliament is to review its progress and decide whether it is necessary to make it compulsory. At any time, however, only because of operational difficulties.

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## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

## Spain

## REVOLT IN MADRID CONTINUES

## Serious Shortage Of Food Reported

Madrid, Mar. 11. After their headquarters had been bombarded by artillery—the Provincial and Central Committees of the Communist Party surrendered unconditionally to the Casado forces shortly after noon.

The Communists telephoned for several tanks to meet the attack, but these were not able to reach the headquarters. At the end of an hour of fighting several Communists appeared at the door of the building, and, finding themselves faced with Republican soldiers, threw their arms on the pavement. This does not signal the end of "the war within a war." Vigorous action is still being taken against the Communists entrenched in various other buildings.

The Republican troops have recaptured part of the Salamanca quarter and have recaptured the Calle de Alcalá which famous thoroughfare is garrisoned with trenches and dotted with blood stained machine-gun emplacements.

While snipers are still busy, the centre of the City is calmer as the battle is now localised in the eastern quarters where the Calle de Alcalá enters the capital.

General Mola's Junta, which has the support of the Press still controls the wireless station—one of the principal Communist objectives—and goes so far as to accuse the Communists of complicity with General Franco because the rising has weakened the Republican camp at a moment of greatest stress.

The Communists on the other hand make capital out of the affirmation that General Casado intends to surrender the territory still held by the Republicans to the Nationalists.

The need for food is urgent, for yesterday there was no bread. Moreover the Communists seized a convoy bringing milk for children and old people. Yet the food rationing is still amazingly normal, considering the transport difficulties in the dangerous zones.

The respective forces are, storing supplies under the very noses of their opponents, who are not able to distinguish, until too late, the destination of the food lorries.

Military control over the streets and even buildings may be divided.—Reuter.

## Communist Claims

Lisbon, Mar. 11. A Communist radio message stated that fierce fighting occurred throughout the city after mid-day. "Mola's forces penetrated our trenches but were repelled after hand-to-hand fighting. There are mountains of corpses in Madrid. The revolt has been triumphant in the provinces."—United Press.

## Communists Undefeated

Burgos, Mar. 12. The Communists are reported to be advancing on the Salamanca district, best residential quarter in Madrid, where they occupied a sector underground. Fierce fighting is going on round the Union Radio building still held by the Junta's troops.

It is also reported that General Mola's forces have been driven out of their positions by the Communists in the cities of Murcia, Alicante and Cartagena.

Several actors and actresses, described as confidential advisers of Dr. Negrín, have been arrested in Barcelona. They are accused of tyrannising over their fellow artists through the actors' syndicates.—Reuter.

## OFFENSIVE AGAINST MADRID SAID TO HAVE STARTED

Madrid, Mar. 11. General Franco began his offensive against Madrid to-day and the Republican batteries have been replying to the Nationalist bombardment this morning, but stopped after a few hours' exchange of shots, leaving both sides in the same positions as before.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Offensive Still Pending

Burgos, Mar. 11. It is officially denied that the offensive against Madrid has begun.—United Press.

## Aerial Bombardments

Madrid, Mar. 11. According to a war communiqué to-day five Nationalist Savoia planes bombed Cartagena, but there were no casualties.

On the Andalucian front Republican anti-aircraft guns brought down one Fiat pursuit machine which had machine-gunned the Republican troops.—United Press.

## Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hoity-toity!      astigmatism  
holti-holti      astrakan  
mistererry      publgot  
English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 5.

## Guilty of Spying

Los Angeles, Mar. 11. Mikhail Gorin, manager of the local office of Intourist, the Soviet travel agency, and Hella Salich, a naturalized American citizen, were to-day convicted under the Espionage Act. Gorin's wife, Natasha, was acquitted.

Salich was found guilty of transmitting to Gorin and Gorin, to his superiors in Russia, data concerning Japanese espionage activities and sabotage plans—Reuter.

## Shanghai

## PUPPETS PROTEST TO S.M.C. Control Of Courts In Shanghai

Shanghai, Mar. 12. The Pro-Japanese Shanghai Chinese Mayor, Fu Siao-en, has protested to the Municipal Council and Consular body against terrorism, demanding:

(1) Better Police control to check it;

(2) Return to the pro-Japanese Tatio regime of the western district Police station which British troops recently closed;

(3) House-to-house searches in the International Settlement for terrorists and Communists;

(4) Handing over of the International Settlement Chinese courts;

(5) Surrender of the former Chinese Land Office files and documents;

(6) Prohibition of flying of Nationalist flags in the International Settlement.

It is believed that one of the objects of the protest is to obtain a formal reply from the Council which would be considered to be de facto recognition of the pro-Japanese regime. The Council up to the present has ignored the pro-Japanese regime's notes.

The Tatio protest to the Municipal Council warned that the Tatio Police will undertake the International Settlement policing unless the Municipal Police are able to cope with terrorism.

The protest said that "drastic steps" might be used unless the British troops permit the re-opening of the western district Tatio Police Station. The note said that effective from April 1 the Tatio Government will recognise the civil and criminal judgments of the International Settlement Chinese Courts.

It added that "grave trouble" would result unless the Council prohibits the flying of the Nationalist flags in the International Settlement.—United Press.

## Police In Shanghai

Tokyo, Mar. 11. Within a week of the announcement of the enrolment on March 4, over 2,000 young men including American-born Japanese, have applied for 30 vacancies in the Japanese police in the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The number of Japanese police in the Shanghai Municipal Council is 299, of whom 269 from the existing strength. Following the recent rerudescence of terrorism in the International Settlement, the Japanese authorities have decided to fill up the vacancies as soon as possible.—Domei.

## SHANGHAI INCIDENT

Shanghai, Mar. 11. Municipal Police detectives arriving in the home of Zao San-chen, Director of the Japanese controlled Consolidated Tax Bureau in the American Defense Sector, to investigate on unverified information, unexpectedly discovered four Japanese military policemen in mutiny guarding Zao. Thereupon they telephoned to the U. S. Marines, who sent two officers and 30 men in a motor-truck. They ordered the Japanese Military Police to leave the sector, which they did.

Eye-witnesses said that the Japanese complied with the U. S. Marine's order to leave without objection, wherefore there was no tension.

An unconfirmed report says that the Japanese were questioning Zao San-chen in connection with reported animosity and jealousy among pro-Japanese Chinese officials, wherein the rival factions are alleged to have made efforts to embarrass each other.—United Press.

## American Protest

Shanghai, Mar. 12. The U. S. Marines last week protested to the Municipal Council against its agreement with the Japanese whereby the Municipal Council will permit the Japanese military authorities to search suspected terrorist hide-outs in the Settlement in the presence of the Municipal Police.

The protest referred to the United States Defense Sector only.—United Press.

## Grand Total Of Japan's Budget Is Yen 10,410,000,000

The grand total of Japan's budget, inclusive of the general and extraordinary military budgets, for the 1939-40 fiscal year, amounts to yen 10,410,000,000.

Included in the grand total are yen 3,604,000,000 for the general budget, yen 4,805,000,000 for the extraordinary military budget in connection with the China Incident, yen 910,000,000 for the supplementary budget for the Army and the Navy, yen 200,000,000 for the supplementary budget for civil service Ministries, and yen 700,000,000 as the fund for contracting obligations outside the purview of the Budget.

The yen 200,000,000 supplementary budget for civil service Ministries which was finally determined by the Ministry of Finance on Saturday, will shortly be submitted to the Diet. This sum includes yen 7,000,000 for payment for Government's holdings of the shares of the pro-protected Japan Aviation Corporation.—Domei.

## The Crisis in Slovakia

## Believed Affair Will Be Peacefully Settled By Prague

Disturbances in many centres in Slovakia occurred during the week-end between the authorities and the Hlinka Guards following the recent dismissal of the Tiso Cabinet by the Central Government in Prague. Appeals have been made to Berlin for intervention, but order has been restored without outside assistance, and a new Cabinet has been formed by appointments from Prague. M. Carol Sidor, former vice-Premier of the Central Government, has replaced Dr. Tiso.

Germany is taking the closest interest in the situation, but no diplomatic moves have yet been announced. Prague's action is regarded as an infringement of Slovakia's autonomous rights. A conference was held in Berlin between Hitler and other high officials, but no step is to be taken, pending further developments.

Britain finds the undercurrents of the rebellion puzzling to European statesmen, as most experts are reluctant to believe that the putsch is a purely spontaneous movement happening in a place where spontaneous movements are no longer the fashion.

As France has no further obligations in Czechoslovakia she is able to watch the situation with calm. It is reported by Reuter that the crisis in the Slovak capital is not worrying Europe's diplomats who do not consider it a serious threat to European Peace.

## Riot at Prison

Bratislava, Mar. 11. Six Hlinka Guards were seriously wounded when Czech military guards fired at them when they tried to liberate the former propaganda chief of the Slovak People's Party, Dr. Mach, from prison.

Another report says that Professor Tuka, foremost champion of the Slovakian independence movement, has been transferred from Bratislava prison to a jail in Moravia-Ostrava.—Trans-Ocean.

## Headquarters Occupied

Bratislava, Mar. 11. The leadership of the Hlinka Guard issued an order that the whole country should be in state of preparedness this afternoon and that any arrest of Hlinka Guards anywhere at all was to be reported immediately. Likewise reports were to be furnished forthwith about offices and positions of authority still administered by Czech soldiery. The military dictatorship set up in Neuschi has been dropped.

Concerning the events of the last two days it became known this afternoon that in Silesia the Hlinka Guard had assembled in full force, Czech soldiery then arrested the whole body. Throughout Slovakia numerous depots of the Slovak Diet were arrested.

A somewhat serious incident occurred this morning in front of the main post office in Pressburg which had been occupied by 30 Czech gendarmes. Thousands of people gathered outside the building, demanding the removal of the Czech gendarmes and trying to break into the building to disarm the Czechs. The situation for the Czechs seemed so threatening that they fired a few shots to scare the crowd. Officers of the Hlinka Guard then intervened, after which the crowd was dispersed.

The actual crowning ceremony lasted only seven minutes.—Reuter.

## CHINA'S DELEGATE

Chungking, Mar. 11. Dr. Wellington Koo, China's Ambassador to France, has been delegated as China's special envoy to the Coronation of Pope Plus XII.—Central News.

## FIRST LENT SERMON

Rome, Mar. 11. The Pope attended to-day the first Lent sermon. Later His Holiness received in private audience Cardinals Donati, Sbarretti, Dennis, Dougherty and Isidore Thomas, Archbishops of Toledo, also the French, Argentine, Swiss, Bolivian and Liberian delegations awaiting the Pope's coronation.

The Masses were celebrated at the Vatican Grottoes, near the tomb of the late Pope Plus XI, observing the thirty days since his death.—United Press.

## SECRETARY OF STATE

Vatican City, Mar. 11. The Pope has appointed Cardinal Luigi Maglione as Secretary of State. Cardinal Maglione, who is one of the most distinguished diplomats of the Vatican, was born at Cisano in 1877. He was appointed Nunzio in Paris in 1926 and was created Cardinal in 1935.—Trans-Ocean.

## TENTH CONCIL

Vatican City, Mar. 11. The Concilium planned by Pope Plus XII which will be the tenth held by the Church, will exceed all previous in magnificence and importance.

Among the tasks of the new Concilium will be the proclamation of the Dogma of the Ascension of the Virgin Mary and the Canonization of Christopher Columbus.

The Catholic Church has hitherto recognised the Ascension of the Virgin Mary as tradition, but not as dogma.

The canonization of Christopher Columbus cannot be carried out in the usual way, since Columbus lived too long ago and his miracles cannot be attested. But the Concilium can canonize him as first Apostle of the Christian Faith in the New World.

The Concilium will not take place before 1940, since many preparations are necessary.—Trans-Ocean.

## SIXTH CONCIL

Vatican City, Mar. 11. M. Siván yesterday informed the Central Government in Prague that he does not wish to be Prime Minister. He is now in Rome for the coronation of the Pope.

M. Sokol, President of the Diet, arrived by air and expressed confidence that the crisis will soon be settled, perhaps by to-night. Later M. Sokol saw President Emil Hacha.

Official quarters deny that Germany made demands. It is thought that the crisis may lead to some reconstruction of the Prague Government.—Reuter.

## New Government

Prague, Mar. 11. President Emil Hacha has appointed a new Slovak Cabinet with M. Carol Sidor as Prime Minister. M. Sidor's a Slovak, was hitherto Vice-Premier of the Central Government. The Minister of the Interior is Dr. Martin Sokol, hitherto President of the Diet.

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## Italian Exiles Undergo Terrible Hardship

Monte Carlo, Mar. 11. Thousands of Jews forcibly expelled from Italy are wandering waist deep in snow on the Alpine passes above Nice and Mentone. Two hundred arrived in Mentone last night in a state of exhaustion, while thousands are reported to be in sight of France, some nearly dead with hunger.

The French authorities accepted those who were obviously sick and exhausted, the others being sent back.—United Press.



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# POLICE DESERVE TO WIN RUGGER TOURNAMENT

But P. And O. Out Of Luck In The Final Encounter

(By "Fly-Half")

Before a large gathering which included their Excellencies the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote and the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett, Police "A" won the local Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament and the right to have their name inscribed on the Blarney Stone Shield at Happy Valley on Saturday.

The Police are also credited with being the first team comprising some non-Club members to have ever won the Tournament. Last year before rugby had become an organised sport in the Force, a few enthusiastic Police rugger players got together and entered a seven. They were narrowly beaten by Club "A", who went on to win the Tournament; so the Police are to be congratulated on their success in this, their second effort.

Despite dismal weather the games on Saturday were of a high standard and were all keenly contested. In all but one game victory depended on that one try convert which makes all the difference. The ball soon became greasy, which made handling extremely difficult whilst the simplest of kicks at goal were missed. Only three of the 19 tries scored were converted; two by Fay, the Police player and one by Grieve of the P. and O. Building team. With conditions as they were, play was considerably slowed down, whilst sliding past a stationary ball was a frequent occurrence.

#### TEAM WORK

The Police seven owe their success to all-round team work, with their covering and back-up a feature. They were poor in defence and have to thank Taylor, their 15-stone full back for their extra try which got them to the final.

The three forwards, Oakley, Searle and Heath, into the foundation to the Police victories by their wholehearted displays. Luscombe, the scrum-half, had a difficult task with a ball which skidded out of the scrum one moment and stuck in the mud the next. Fay made certain by converting from an easy position in front of the goal.

Police were worthy winners and it is a pity that their victory loses some of its glory through an early injury to Brown. In a collision with Taylor, the Building's player broke his wrist and had to leave the field after only two minutes play. This final will be remembered for the brilliance of Taylor in attack and of Bidwell in defence. Bidwell was about the only player who could hit him effectively by taking him low, good and hard.

#### P. AND O. UNLUCKY

The other "Analists," the P. and O. Building, were unfortunate to lose Brown in the first five minutes as this resulted in their having to play one back short. Their forwards stood up to their task well, with the evergreen Peers and Austin to the fore. Welch played a stout game at scrum-half and Grieve played well without being brilliant. Brown played a steady game throughout although he found his lack of speed a bit of a handicap at times.

Bidwell was the mainstay of the team, while he and Taylor were the outstanding players in the Tournament. The Club player used his speed to advantage and in defence he saved his side time and again with crashing tackles.

#### THE FINAL

With Police and the P. and O. Building in the final, the odds were



Above are players of the Police, Harold, 4th, Ba, 6th, Railways, Birrell, (Napier), who won the second annual United Knock-out Tournament, after tournaments during the season 1938-39. The captain of the Police team, Captain A. E. Grasett, is seated in the centre of the middle row. —Photo by Stan Sheld

FINISH OF A SPLENDID RACE



An exciting finish in one of the girls' races at the Central British School's annual athletic meeting held on Saturday afternoon. The weather was dismal, but nevertheless the boys and girls all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. —Photo by Ming Yuen

# EASTERN SOCCERITES TO TOUR SAIGON

Provided permission is forthcoming from the Hongkong Football Association, the Eastern Football Club will be sending a team to Haiphong and Hanoi for a series of matches at the end of this month.

It is understood that at the invitation of the French Indo-China soccer authorities, Eastern, who are third in the local League Table at the present moment, will play three matches in Hanoi and two in Haiphong.

If the H.K.F.A. gives the necessary permission for the tour, the Eastern team will leave the Colony on March 29, and will be away for approximately three weeks.

Strong though the Eastern players are without outside help, they intend to invite a couple of other players to join them for the tour.

It is also possible that Eastern will make a trip to Macao in the near future to play the Portuguese colony.

## DANE WINS BADMINTON TITLE

English Championship Finals Played

London, Mar. 11.

The English Badminton Championship finals, which have just concluded, resulted as follows:

Men's Singles.—T. Madsen (Denmark) beat R. Nichols (holder).

Women's Singles.—Mrs. Walton (Canada) beat Miss Doveton.

Men's Doubles.—T. Boyle and J. Rankin beat L. Nichols and R. Nichols (holders).

Women's Doubles.—Mrs. Dalsgaard and Miss Olsen (Denmark) beat Mrs. Barrett and Miss Doveton (England).

Mixed Doubles.—R. Nichols and Miss Staples beat J. Rankin and Mrs. McNorton. —Reuter.

## Cambridge Beat Oxford At Hockey

London, Feb. 22.

I cannot remember a year when forecasts of the University hockey match were so unanimous, and what is more, that most difficult of all forecasts—a draw, says an English writer.

When Cambridge opened the score three minutes from the start and scored again 10 minutes later it looked as if the prophets were to be confounded but Oxford rallied and scored from a short corner. Just before the interval the Dark Blues' right wing went away from what appeared to be an offside position and equalised.

Cambridge rather luckily went ahead early in the second half and, although Oxford pressed strongly, they managed to hold on to their slender lead. For this they owed much to the inspired goalkeeping of C. L. Hawson.

#### THE GOLF MATCH

A few weeks ago it was generally agreed that the University golf contest, to be played at Sandwich next month, would be merely a matter of how many matches Cambridge would win.

The Dark Blues, however, are showing more encouraging form at the right time and gained their second success since the season opened by defeating Royal Mid-Surrey by 0 matches to 8, with one halved.

In a two-day match the Royal St. George's Club defeated Cambridge by 14 matches to 10. Cambridge will remain favourites but it looks as if it will be a real match after all.

## ST. JOSEPH'S DEFEATED BY EASTERN IN A DULL LEAGUE TIE

(By "Abe")

### England Team To Play China

The following players have been selected to represent England in the "Sunday Herald" International Charity match against China to be played on Sunday:

Hartley (K.F.C.); Corbin (R.A.C.); Parker (Police); Freshwater (Middlesex); Bright (Middlesex), Capt.; Emberton (R.A.O.C.); Moss (Police); Chester (R.A.); E. Strange (Club) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

Reserves: —Rides (R.A.O.C.); Honeywell (Navy); Hammond and Jennings.

### Negro Student Beats Glenn Cunningham

New York, Mar. 12.

John Borican, a negro student of Columbia University, beat Glenn Cunningham in the 1,000 yards indoors race to-day, and in doing so established a new world's record of 2 mins. 8.8 secs.

This was Borican's second win over Cunningham.—Reuter.

#### THE TEAMS

The following players took part on Saturday:

P. and O. and Another.—J. T. Brown; H. D. Bidwell and W. E. Grieve; P. Welch; C. Austin, W. E. Peers; and G. M. Marrs.

Hongkong Bank.—M. G. Cartwright; D. G. Day and A. H. R. Butcher; E. L. Taverner; E. A. Bonapart; J. S. Dunnott and K. A. Watson.

Small Ships "A"—Tel. Polkinghorne; Pay. Lt. Bucknall and Sub. Lt. Ashton; Lt.-Cdr. Clarke; Lt. Anderson; Lt. (E) Brown and A. B. Bowerman.

5th A.A. "A"—Sgt. Page; Gnr. Giblin and Gnr. Easterbrook; Gnr. Hewitt and Pte. Courtney.

Fortress R.E.—Spr. Moxham; Spr. Jones and L/Cpl. Hughes; L/Cpl. Waite; Spr. Apperley; Spr. Pyke and Cpl. Brinkley.

Police "A"—D. H. Taylor; G. S. Wilson and B. C. Fay; E. C. Luscombe; H. W. E. Health; L. A. Searle and L. Oakley.

Middlesex "A"—P.S.M. Ramsey; Pte. Ferguson and Lt. Man; Cpl. Freshwater; L/Cpl. Gillman; Lt. Hewitt and Pte. Courtney.

## TENNIS TOURNEY CONTINUES

### Two Good Doubles Ties To-Day

Weather permitting, the annual tennis championships of the Colony will be continued at the Hongkong Cricket Club this afternoon.

Four ties in the singles and two in the doubles are down for decision to-day.

There does not seem to be anything of real interest in the singles, but the two doubles matches should provide some good tennis. In one, the Tsui brothers, holders of the title, will be opposed by Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain, who so surprisingly defeated J. Gonsalves and A. V. Remedios in the first round.

Both sides were unable to field their full teams, but the Eastern reserves fitted in better than the Saints' reserves.

In the absence of a regular goal-keeper, A. J. Hussain, who

was to keep goal, and though this was his first experience between the sticks in a League match he acquitted himself well. But for him, the Eastern score might have been more.

Towards the end when the Eastern eleven over-ran the Saints' defence, it was he who stopped several apparently certain goals.

#### EASTERN TAKE LEAD

Lee Tack-kee scored both Eastern's goals in the first period. The Saints also had their opportunities but were unable to make use of them.

In the second half, the Saints made several positional changes to no effect. If anything the defence was weakened and the Eastern forwards found their task made easier by the bad positioning of Marcal and Bowen, the full backs. Ward, Elms and Souza worked very hard in the forward line but their inability to control the ball and the steady play of the Eastern halves and backs rendered their efforts hopeless.

For fully 15 minutes after the re-

turn, however, the Saints had their own. Then Soong Ling-sing shot at goal, and Hussain, thinking the ball was going past above the bar, had the mortification of seeing it hit him on the rebound and roll past the goal-line. Shortly after this, Woo Chi-sang added the fourth and two minutes before the final whistle, Chan Bing-to scored the fifth.

Teams:

Eastern.—Lau Hin-hoy; B. Y. Zee; Tsang Chung-wan; Lai Shih-tsui; Hui King-shing; Lo Wai-kuen; Chan

Bing-to; Soong Ling-sing; Lee Tack-kee; Woo Chi-sang and Yu Hop-ting.

St. Joseph's.—Marcal; Percival; Bowen; Souza; Leonard; Pereira; Rocha; Castilho; Ward; Elms and Sprinkle.

## WEEK-END FOOTBALL RESULTS

### SENIOR SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

South China "A" v Eastern

#### FIRST DIVISION

Club 1 Kwong Wah 0 Kowloon 5 St. Joseph's

#### SECOND DIVISION

Police 1 Kowloon 0 5th Bde. R.A. 0 Middlesex 0 Club 0 South China 0

#### NOT-PLAYED.

#### THIRD DIVISION "B" RUNNERS-UP" PLAY-OFF

30th Bty 2 South China

#### LEAGUE TABLE

#### FIRST DIVISION

Navy P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. 18 13 3 2 59 23 29 S. China "A" 15 12 0 3 54 13 24 Eastern 16 10 2 4 44 30 22 Middlesex 18 8 3 7 30 34 19 S. China "B" 17 7 3 7 31 29 17 Kowloon 10 7 3 6 22 22 17 Kwong Wah 10 6 5 8 34 44 17 R. Scots 17 4 7 0 33 52 15 Police 18 7 1 11 40 52 14 St. Joseph's 17 2 3 12 29 53 7

#### SECOND DIVISION

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. 20 13 3 1 81 30 33 S. China 18 15 2 2 54 22 32 5th Bde. R.A. 14 1 0 3 2 50 20 31 Kwong Wah 19 11 0 8 54 63 22 R. Engineers 17 0 9 54 47 16 R.A.O.C. 10 7 2 10 53 60 10 Kowloon 21 7 0 14 34 53 14 St. Joseph's 17 6 0 11 33 29 12 Police 20 5 2 13 26 71 12 Eastern 16 0 4 12 19 71 4 Club 19 1 1 17 44 75 3

## Tommy Farr To Return To United States

London, Feb. 16.

Tommy Farr, former British and Empire heavyweight champion, returned to England yesterday, ready at any moment to make a dash to America for a fight with Tony Galento, the New Jersey bartender, who is ranked second to world champion Joe Louis by American authorities.

Joe Gould, the Welshman's manager, is still trying to fix the fight, and if he succeeds will promptly notify his charge.

Until that message arrives, Farr's future is uncertain. Circumstances permitting, he would like to have another contest in this country and suggests Len Harvey as an opponent for a bout during the open-air season.

Farr declared that he had returned home to settle some urgent family matters.

"If I can manage to fix up a contest here, the ex-champion is still big draw, but there are many things to be considered before a promoter would be able to bill him."

It must be remembered that he is still under suspension by the Board of Control, because of non-payment of a £750 fine inflicted by the Board of Sydney Hulls some time ago.

This ban will have to be lifted before he could appear in this country, and it rests with the Stevens of the controlling body whether Farr is to be allowed to fight in an English ring.

According to the Welshman, Joe Gould has the final word in any matter relating to a contest, as it would seem that his manager would have to obtain his consent before the former British champion could sign contracts.

## LEAGUE SOFTBALL MATCHES

### Recreio Narrowly Defeat Midgets In Play Off

In the second play-off in the triple for the men's Softball League championship, the Club de Recreio beat the Midgets by the narrow margin of two runs at King's Park yesterday.

Last week, the Midgets beat the Chinese Baseball Club, the other team in the tie, by 12-6, and next week, the Club de Recreio will meet the Chinese B.C. in the final play-off. A win for the latter in this game will again deadlock the position.

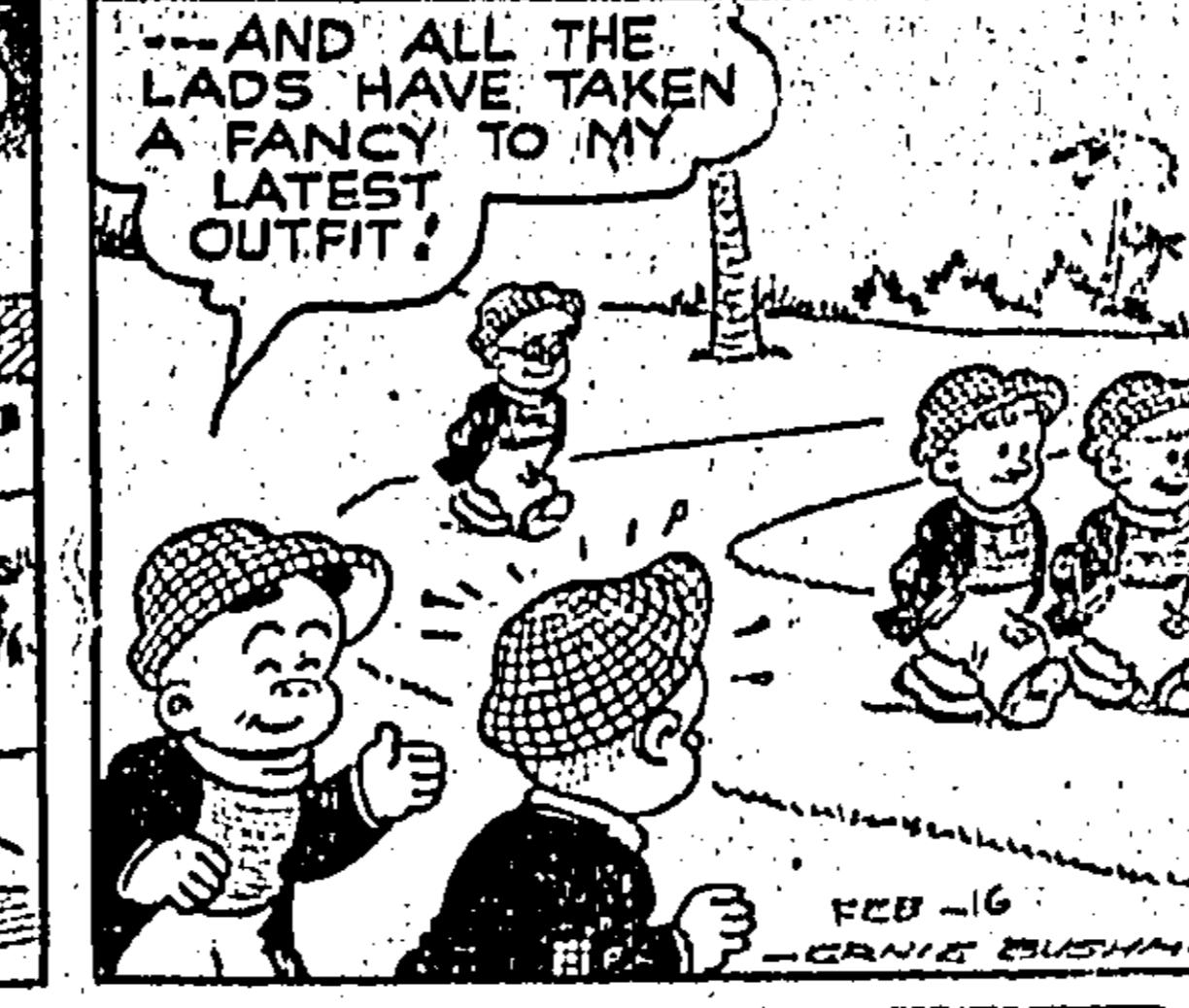
The score yesterday were:

Recreio 10, Midgets 8.

Recreio 12, Inter-Hong League 10.

Recreio 11, Shell Oilers 10.

## NANCY



## To-day's Tennis Postponed

Owing to the present state of the ground, to-day's programme of matches in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. has been postponed.

## Cash Sweep Results At Fanling

Race 1		
No. 10	\$468.02	
No. 42	133.32	
No. 100	66.65	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 723.		
Race 2		
No. 462	\$542.74	
No. 52	135.08	
No. 133	77.54	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 637, 70.		
Race 3		
No. 519	\$611.52	
No. 671	114.72	
No. 69	67.08	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 300, 236, 145, 732, 73, 405, 50.		
Race 4		
No. 167	\$607.48	
No. 52	109.29	
No. 109	69.64	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 732, 243, 216, 791, 779.		
Race 5		
No. 463	\$603.75	
No. 424	105.35	
No. 534	77.08	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 711, 433, 289, 138, 210, 531.		
Race 6		
No. 157	703.01	
No. 817	226.50	
No. 660	113.29	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 501, 174, 420.		

## WOMEN'S GOLF

## Spring Meeting To Be Held At Fanling

The Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at Fanling on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, March 20, 21, and 23. The following competitions will take place.

Monday, March 20

Tombstone Competition, New Course. Hidden prize. Kindly presented by Mrs. R. M. Henderson. Cards to be returned by 5.15 p.m.

Driving 1st, tee, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m. Approaching, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m. Putting Pool. Putting Course open from Monday to Thursday (four days). Cards 20 cents each; any number may be taken out. If there are more than 80 entries, a 2nd prize will be given, and if more than 75 entries, a 3rd, in the proportion of 3-2-1.

Tuesday, March 21

L.G.U. Medal Competition.—Silver, Old Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes; Bronze, New Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes. The silver scratch prize has been kindly presented by Lady MacGregor, and the silver handicap prize by Mrs. Lindsell. The bronze scratch prize has been kindly presented by Mrs. Glimore and the handicap prize by Mrs. Cassidy. Cards to be returned by 5 p.m.

Thursday, March 23

Boys' competition, Old Course. Medal competition, Relief Course. Cards to be returned by 3.45 p.m.

The customary programme will be taken at 4.10 p.m., and the presentation of prizes will be held by Mrs. Lindsell, Captain, immediately after the photograph.

Starting times may be booked each day. One card can win only one prize, but competitors may win any number of prizes.

## CLUBS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETINGS

## Filipino Club

An amendment to the constitution of the Filipino Club, was passed at the annual general meeting held at the Club House, King's Park, yesterday. As a result an entrance fee of \$2 will be charged new members in the future. Mr. R. Lasala, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. Le Ping-fan (Hon. Treasurer) of the Club, presided.

Mr. L. R. Idefonso, Hon. Secretary, read the following report:

The Accounts for the last eight months show an excess of income over expenditure of \$1,265.00.

The total membership is as December 31, 1938, is 86, including two life members. During the period under review, the Committee record with keen regret the demise of Mr. H. Castro, one of the Club's founders and many times its President.

Rizal's Birthday and Commonwealth Day were celebrated with great success at the Club House. A tea party was given by the Club to the Hon. Sergio Osmeña, Vice President of the Philippine Commonwealth and Head of the Delegation to Washington, D.C., on October 19, 1938, which was well attended.

A tea party was also held at the Club House on September 4, 1938, at which the tennis and ping pong prizes were distributed.

The Club House is in good condition. There is still a balance of \$1,000 outstanding as loans and \$1,030 in debits.

The following were the officers elected for the current year:

Dr. V. N. Alenza, President; Mr. L. R. Idefonso, vice-President; Mr. H. A. Paulino, Hon. Secretary; Mr. E. J. Porter, Hon. Treasurer. Members of the Committee—

## Chinese R. C.

A satisfactory year of activity was reported at the annual general meeting of the Chinese Recreation Club, held at the Club-house, Causeway Bay, yesterday. Mr. Lau Fook-kei was in the Chair, supported by Mr. Wong Kwok-fong, (Hon. Secretary), and Mr. Le Ping-fan (Hon. Treasurer). About 40 members were present.

The Club was stated to be in a sound financial position, with a balance of several thousands of dollars in hand. The teams representing the Club won the "A", "B", "C" and Mixed Doubles Divisions of the Tennis League during the year under review. The Colony doubles championship had also been annexed by Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui, members of the Club.

It was decided that the whole Club-house be refurbished, and also that some hard courts for tennis be provided, in the coming year.

The following were elected to serve on the Club's Committee this season: Messrs. Wong Kwok-fong, Lee Wai-tong, Lau Fook-kei, Ho Kau-lau, Ng Sze-kwong, Chu Chiu-wo, Ho Ka-tze, Iu Tak-cheuk, Chan Yin, Iu Tak-lam, U Sze-wing, Szeto Bick, Tyau Tsok-him, Wong Ping-fan and Le Ping-fan.

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Mr. M. J. Rull and Mr. A. P. Castro were appointed as the Club's auditors.

Mr. R. Lasala, and Dr. V. N. Alenza were elected honorary life members of the Club.

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## WHOLESALE NEGLECT

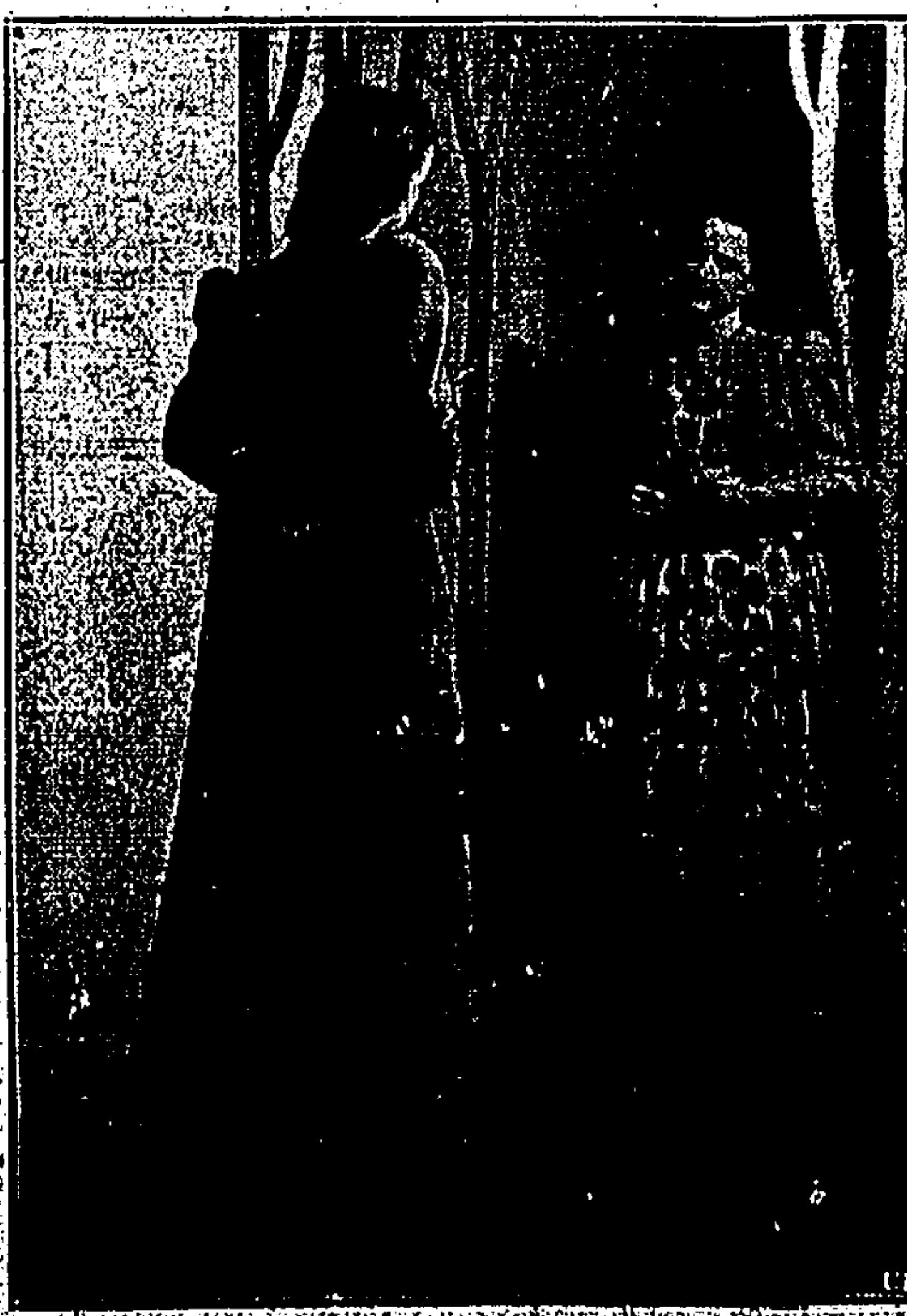
By A YOUNG MOTHER

IT is fatally easy to make a whole when a baby comes on the scene. Time bondage of a baby. It is often possible to come to some often less trouble to give up outside friendly and mutually helpful arrangements and interests than to make arrangements with friends or neighbors the necessary arrangements for baby hours. Falling that, a few inquiries to be looked after, and one by one will usually find some reliable woman to take charge of the baby. All social activities are dropped until man who will take charge of the only recreation many young house and baby for the evening at couples get a weekly by visit to the reasonable cost.

Apart from the danger of growing and isn't it worth it? We are no bored, it seems to me that this re-longs in any danger of growing the inquisitive individual pleasures labored with life or each other or the a short-sighted policy in another and baby, and I personally feel years more important way. Parents who are more alert than when make exaggerated sacrifices for their allowed the responsibilities of children when they are young in motherhood to weigh too heavily on variably expect a proportionately shoulders.

And the "young gentleman" doesn't from their children when they grow up a bit. He is told, simply and up. That is only human nature straightforwardly, that mummy and it is the surest way of reading daddy are going out for the evening, disappointment and discord in later years. Mrs. So-and-So is down-years. Also, however much a mother girls if he should want anything, loves her child, her first duty should be to accept this state of affairs be to its father, and it is not naturally and cheerfully, because he to deprive him of society and socialities been brought up to it.

This really is not any need for a child to cling too closely to his young couple to lead him to his mother.



The simple flowing lines of this handknit wool evening coat, worn over a red and white polka-dot dinner gown, are new for southern and cruise wear. This ensemble was modelled recently at the New York Ritz.

# Tailored Tops to Crinolines

PARIS.

CRINOLINES, far from being a passing whim, have carried their popularity into 1939, and have fired Paris dress designers' imagination.

Marcel Rochas, taking the Pompadour silhouette as his inspiration, is giving his evening frocks large billowing skirts and tailored tops.

Skirts are made of lace, heavy silk gathered into rows or festooned and looped. Bodices are of contrasting colors, with high necks, long sleeves, or, in some cases, short

sleeves coming to within 2in. of the elbow.

One frock has a check shirt top, a full black skirt, with the check of the bodice worked into it.

Contrasting with these are his more traditional off-the-shoulder-line frocks with puff sleeves and one or two brassiere tops, all with crinoline skirts.

He shows very few straight evening dresses. Those he does, have fullness introduced cunningly into the skirt to give sufficient width for comfort. All are very simple.



Above:

This evening coat shows a typical Marcel Rochas line. It is of black taffeta, tailored top, crinoline skirt, fastened with a large rosette of black ribbon.

Right:

Marcel Rochas straight for those afraid of crinolines. Lime green halter top; black sheath skirt with fullness falling from a bouquet of yellow, pink and green flowers.

## When Two Women Share A House

LIVING alone is not good for any of us. Anyone who has tried it knows that nothing can be more depressing than that blank feeling you get when you return to an empty flat after an evening out.

These sentiments are shared by most women, and the only solution to the problem is to invite a friend or acquaintance to share your man. Another sound reason for two sharing a flat is on grounds of economy. When two kindred spirits pool their earnings and take a flat jointly, it seems almost as good as having your own home.

But there is an art in living peacefully with another under one roof.

When you have found the right person, have a straight talk about such mundane matters as rent, electricity, accounts, length of notice to be given on either side, and all the other drab but necessary things that have to be dealt with.

In every case it is a wise plan to have a written agreement. Even if you throw in your lot with a friend, do not shirk business formalities. If you face these squarely, at the start you will avoid subsequent recriminations.

Divide all household tasks, and decide to take turns with the unpleasant ones. Never, even in the sacred cause of peace, do the neglected work of the other person—this may lead to a painful loss of memory, and thence to a sense of unfairness in your part. Thus the steps to a quarrel are paved.

All accounts should be settled regularly. When you want to entertain, decide whether there is to be a pooling of expenses, or whether each pays for her own guest.

A shared flat should always be taken jointly in your two names, unless you are able to get a place on a monthly tenancy so that you could, in case of need, get out of it without too much bother.

Remember that privacy is one of the first essentials towards happy home life. Have some place where you can be alone when you want to rest, even if it be only a curtained alcove.

You must each allow the other to

## Modern Jewellery

WELL-chosen jewellery is essential nowadays to enhance the charm of lovely clothes.

Jewels can also accentuate beautiful features and help to conceal indifferent ones. Women can study their "type" and choose their jewellery accordingly.

New designs in jewel fashions give plenty of scope, so that every woman can find a gem style that will enhance her beauty.

The smart woman with a full, round face should not wear large round earrings. Almost any shape except round earrings will suit her, but earrings of narrow shape, set vertically, look most attractive on a full face. The design should give the impression of added length to the face.

The small, pointed face can achieve added beauty by the choice of wide circular pearl earrings that add width.

Not only is shape important in the choice of jewels, but colour, too, should be chosen to suit each type of feminine beauty. Modern women are going in for "individual" jewellery and the new 1939 colours give plenty of scope to the woman with original ideas on the choice of clothes and jewels.

These new colours harmonise with the new jewellery. There is echo blue to wear with sapphires, and faraway blue which makes a perfect background for pearls or diamonds. The other new colours for spring and summer are anchovy pink, cress green, and scrambled yellow.

## BOBATINE CURRY

SLICE thinly an onion, an apple, and a peeled tomato, and brown them in hot butter. Stir in a slice of stale bread, which has been soaking in  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint milk, a heaped tablespoonful of curry powder, a pinch of sugar and some minced cold meat. Pour mixture into a greased fireproof dish and bake until nicely browned. Serve boiled rice with the curry, if liked.

A bold effect is achieved in the very large, very bright plaid tweed. Red and blue, and white combine on the bright green ground. The shallowness of yoke, width of red kid belt and flare of skirt section all give the coat a youthful distinction.

Married partnerships have come to grief because the participants spent all their free time together.

L. H.

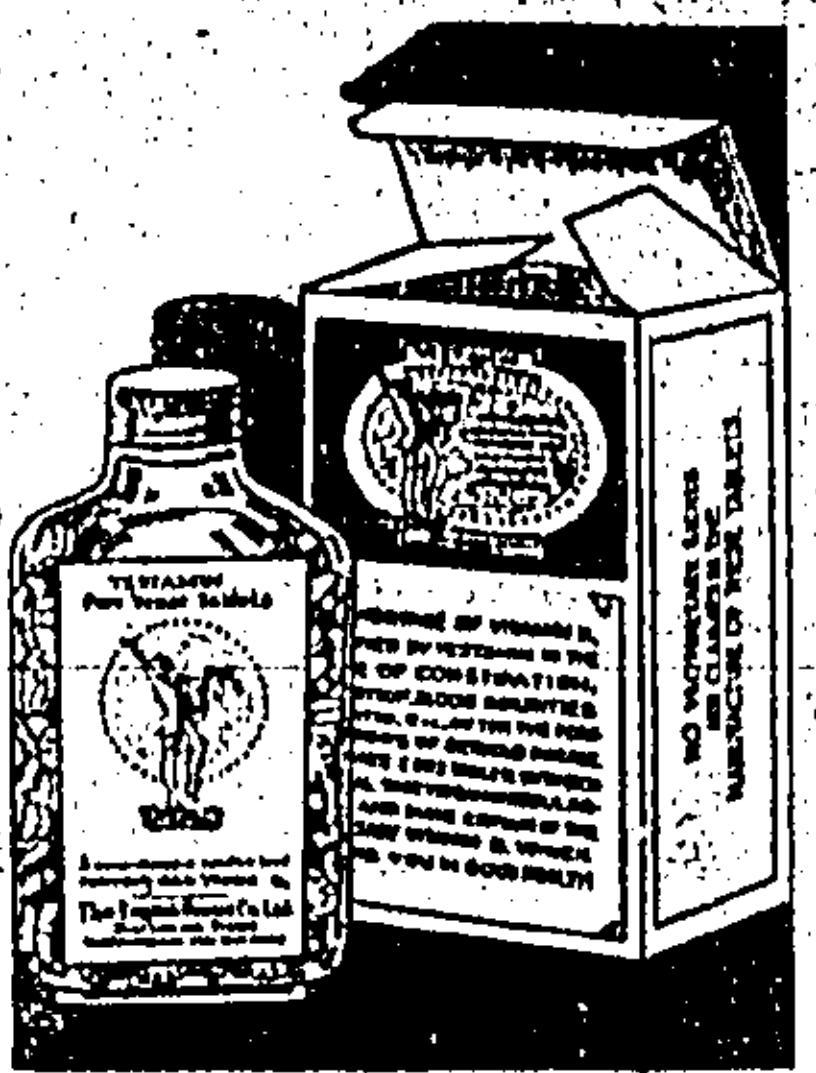
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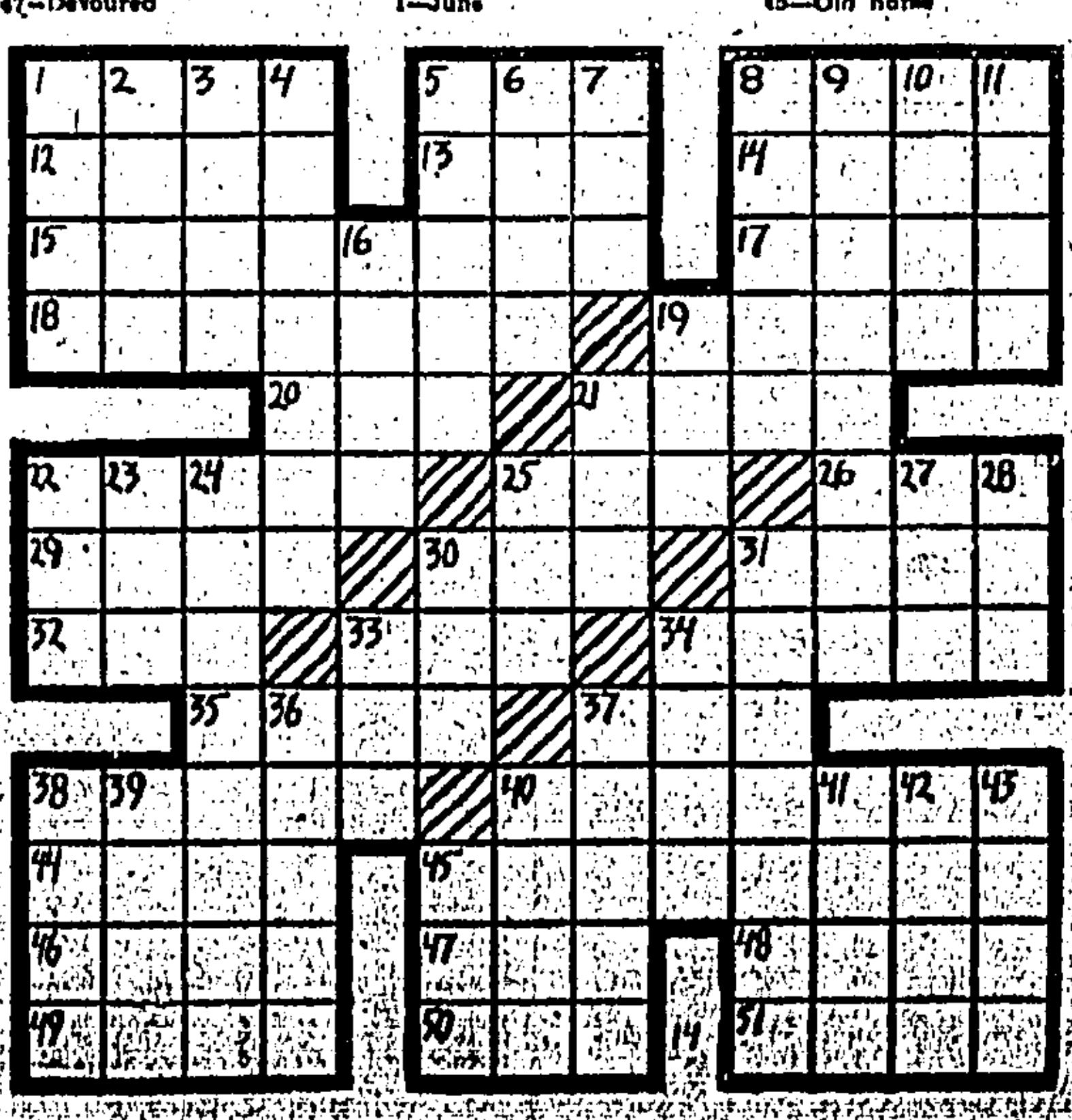
## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1-Byre	2-Sheep (pl.)
3-Corded fabric	3-Gibraltar desert meeting
4-Edge	4-Stormy
5-Ury of bacchanals	5-Little bird
6-Peer Glyn's mother	6-African antelopes
7-Field of annuals	7-Wooden pin
8-Comfort	8-Back of our back
9-Playboy	9-American
10-Little doggy	10-Asperges
11-Those who perform	11-Chives
12-Comfort	12-Asperges
13-Small bird	13-Asperges
14-Asian	14-Asperges
15-Fairy bird	15-Asperges
16-Fairies	16-Asperges
17-Hawaiian food	17-Asperges
18-Krabs	18-Asperges
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## GAVE NEWS TO WORLD

H.K. Cable "Scoop" Recalled By Visit

MEET THE American newspaperman who scored the Far East's greatest news scoop of the nineteenth century.

He is septuagenarian Edward Walker Harden, former newspaper correspondent who now follows the more sedate occupation of stock and bond-brokerage.

Mr. Harden is revisiting Hongkong 41 years after he lodged a cablegram in this Colony telling the first story of Admiral Dewey's victory in Manila Bay.

Accompanied by Mrs. Harden, the veteran correspondent is making an air trip around the world, duplicating at a faster pace a journey he made in 1908.

### SAW BATTLE

Mr. Harden was aboard one of Dewey's ships during the Battle of Manila Bay and his 50-word message to the New York "World" and the Chicago "Tribune" was the first authentic account of the battle to reach the United States, six days after the battle. But his message arrived six hours ahead of Admiral Dewey's

### EXPENSIVE CABLE

The cables between Manila and Hongkong were cut before the battle began, on Sunday, May 1, 1898. After the battle, Admiral Dewey despatched a ship to Hongkong with his message. Correspondent Harden was aboard that ship.

Arriving at Hongkong, the young newspaperman wrote a brief account of the battle and marked it "urgent." At that time the rate was \$33 a word, three times the ordinary rate. Admiral Dewey sent what is known as a "repeat" message, for greater accuracy, and as a result Harden's message reached the States ahead of the admiral's.

The New York "World" and other newspapers within the syndicate for which Harden was working had the news of the American victory on Saturday morning, May 7.

### MADRID RUMOUR

Before the cables were cut, the Spanish forces in Manila had sent a message to Madrid saying that there had been a battle in which several American ships were destroyed. As a matter of fact, Dewey lost no ship. Harden's despatch was the first authentic account of the battle to reach the outside world.

Mr. Harden has kept his early connection with the Philippines by membership in the Manila Bay Club and the Order of the Carabao. He was in the Philippines six months in 1898.

The Hardens arrived in Hongkong by Clipper on Friday, and from here will proceed by plane to Bangkok, Calcutta, Alexandria, Athens, Rome, Paris and London. On their return to New York about May 1, Mr. and Mrs. Harden will visit the New York World's Fair.

Mr. Harden is senior partner of the firm of Baker, Weeks and Harden, members of the New York Stock Exchange, and a director of the Radio Corporation of America and the National Broadcasting Company.

## Court Martial For Japanese Official

HANOI, Mar. 13. MR. SHIOMI, Chancellor to the Japanese Consulate-General here, who was kidnapped by Chinese regular soldiers while travelling near the border between Tonkin and Kwangsi at the end of last year, is shortly facing the Chinese court martial at Chungking, according to a report reaching the French authorities here.—Domel.

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## RECORD "CHINA INCIDENT" BUDGET APPROVED BY DIET

### ENRICH EMPIRE, PEERS INFORMED

TOKYO, Mar. 12. JAPAN'S BUDGET for 1939-40 amounts to 10,410,000,000 yen.

It includes the ordinary Budget at 3,694,000,000 yen, and extraordinary Military Budget for the China Incident of 4,605,000,000 yen, and a supplementary Budget for the Navy and War Ministries of 910,000,000 yen.—Reuter.

#### DIET APPROVES BUDGETS

TOKYO, Mar. 13. The extraordinary military budget amounting to Yen 4,605,000,000 designed to finance the military operations in connection with the China Incident from February, 1939, to January, 1940, which was approved by the House of Representatives on Thursday last, was passed by the House of Peers this morning.

Supporting the budget, Mr. Tongo Tatebe (Doseikai) said that adjustment of internal administration formed a pre-requisite for the execution of the plan for prolonged reconstruction.

**"SPIRIT MUST BE ENHANCED"**

In order to attain this object, Mr. Tatebe pointed out, the spirit underlying Japan's national polity must be enhanced. "The basis for an expedition abroad lies in internal politics and civil affairs must not be neglected for the accomplishment of military affairs," Mr. Tatebe continued.

Urging the Government to effect internal reform on the basis of national spirit, Mr. Tatebe declared that it was a wise decision that the present Cabinet has appointed Prince Konoye, President of the Privy Council, to attend the Cabinet Council as Minister without Portfolio.

"I hereby support the present budget placing confidence in the Cabinet," the representative of the Doseikai declared in conclusion.

Also acceding the budget bill on behalf of the Koseikai, Baron Michitomo Iwakura said that measures to enrich the Empire and strengthen her defence consisted in the completion of a national unity on which all sections of the nation would elect close co-operation.—Domei.

### Colony's Water Supply Down Drought Empties The Reservoirs

THE SCARCITY of water reserves in Hongkong is vividly shown in the water returns for February when there was only 904 million gallons compared to 1,264 millions in reservoirs on the island a year ago.

On the mainland the position is much worse, returns showing a drop of from 1,375 million gallons compared to 2,289 millions in 1938. This is a drop of 800,000 gallons.

During the period under review consumption actually fell from 37.8 gallons per head per day in 1938 to 21.4 gallons this February.

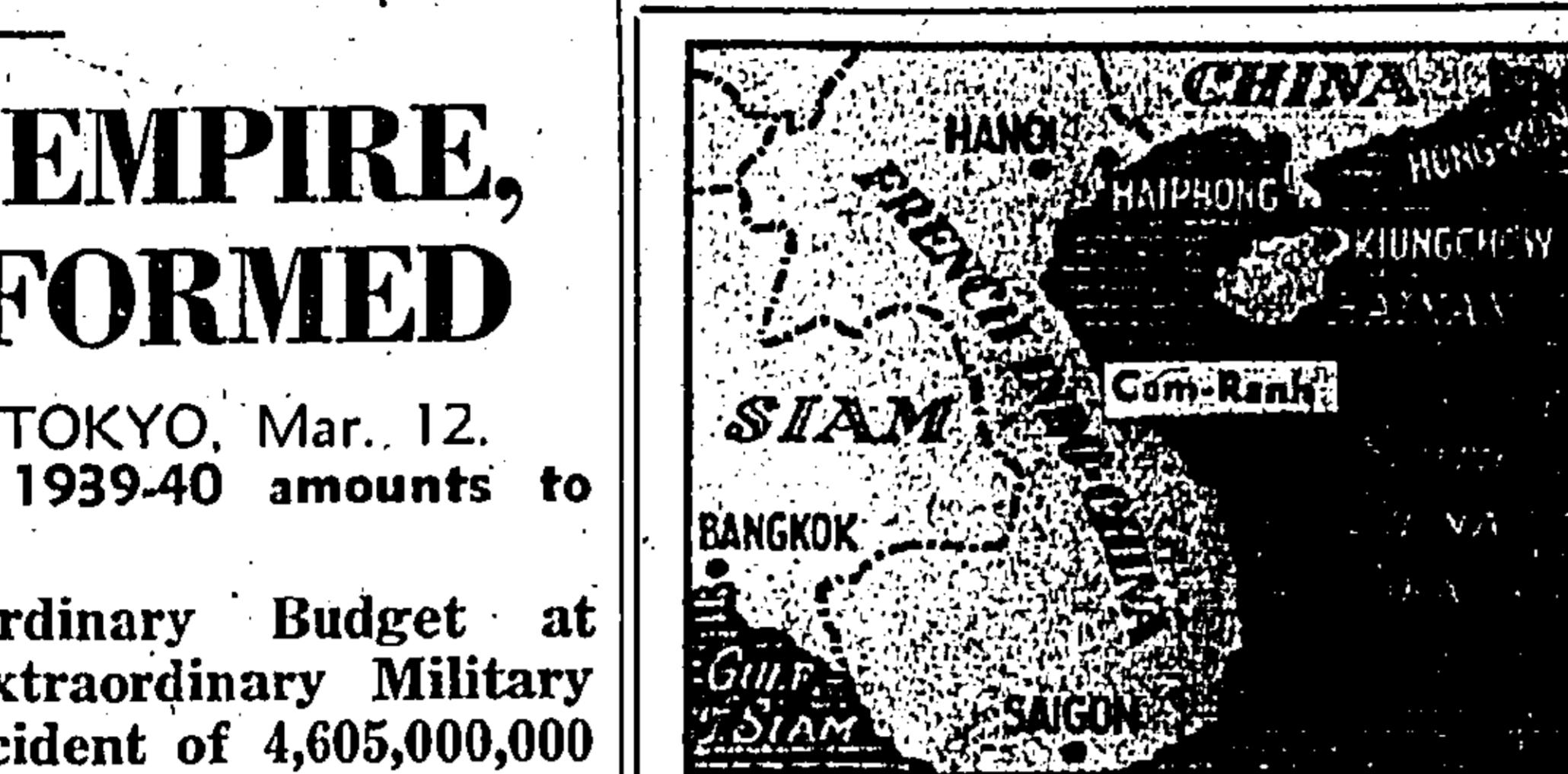
Last month there was only 60,000 gallons of water in Tytan byewash compared to 3.3 million gallons in 1938.

#### INCH OF RAIN DURING WEEK-END

An inch of welcome rain fell during the week-end, a quarter of an inch being recorded during the 24 hours ending at 10 o'clock this morning, bringing the year's aggregate to 2.72 inches, which is just about an inch below average.

The weather report indicates a continuation of cloudy weather, accompanied by fresh east winds.

Mr. J. G. Pearce has been appointed Undivided Member of the Legislative Council during the absence of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson.



#### A.R.P. EXHIBITION WAS SUCCESS

Over 15,000 Hongkong residents visited the recent A.R.P. Exhibition at the Peninsula Hotel.

It is thought that another exhibition of a similar kind will be held shortly.

### Mass Murder At Loyang Japanese Bombers On New Excursions

LOYANG, Mar. 13. After a mid-week respite, wanton massacre from the air was once again resumed by the Japanese air force yesterday morning when sixteen planes, in two groups of seven and nine, bombed Loyang.

The Japanese airmen chose as their target crowded residential sections of the city, where they dumped at least eighty missiles, causing the death of over forty civilians. About a score others received wounds.

More than 400 houses were demolished by the enemy missiles. Due to the timely warning given by the air defence authorities, the houses were quickly evacuated before the arrival of the raiders, which accounted for the relative small number of casualties in proportion to the houses destroyed.

Now he walks about 20 miles a day with a 60lb. pack on his back, his lungs "in fine shape." On Scott's first journey he hiked through France and Italy, crossed to Malta and Tripoli, then on to Cape Town.

He earns his way by lecturing and writing articles.

### Indian Congress Supports Gandhi

Triputi, Mar. 12. The plenary session of Congress to-day passed a resolution expressing confidence in Gandhi by an overwhelming majority and voted shots of "Mahatma Gandhi Jai" (Victory for Gandhi).

The session also passed a resolution for self-determination after rejecting an amendment suggesting a six months' ultimatum to the British Government.

The three-day plenary session of the National Congress concluded after passing resolutions disapproving and dissociating itself from the British foreign policy, "which consistently aided Fascist Powers."

Other resolutions expressed confidence in Gandhi, demanded self-determination for India, voiced admiration for the courage and determination of the Arabs in Palestine, and expressed anxiety regarding the rapidly deteriorating position of Indians overseas, especially in the Empire.—Reuter.

### Game In Back Yard

Wewoka, Okla. A game preserve in its own back yard is the culmination of an idea James K. Mulkey, Wewoka, real estate man, has had for years. The preserve is located at the Hagen Inlet of Wewoka and occupies about one and one-half acres. Mulkey has collected numerous species of fish and frogs, wild pheasants, quail and pheasants.

The Association of Municipal Corporations is to be requested to urge the Government to amend the rule denying marriage allowance to soldiers who marry under 20.

### "Poor Relief" For Mrs. Tommy Atkins

"Officers' wives get pudding and pies."

Soldiers' wives get . . .

Nothing at all except parish relief.

At least this is the allegation of the Derby Public Assistance Committee, who are protesting to the War Office against paying relief to the wives and families of serving soldiers. The Committee feel it is the responsibility of the Army authorities and not the local authority.

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#### PALESTINE WARFARE

### 45 Die In Outbreak In Trans-Jordan

HAIFA, Mar. 12. AT LEAST 40 Arabs were killed and wounded in yesterday's action which was the first major engagement in Trans-Jordan.

On the Government side, the casualties included one British officer killed, one seriously wounded, and four members of the Arab Legion killed.

Fighting began in the hills, eight miles east of the River Jordan, and south of the Iraq pipe-line, near Zemel.

Over 15 air force bombers and fighters co-operated with the Trans-Jordan frontier force and the Arab Legion.

An incident in the encounter was the courage of Sergeant Coggins, of the R.A.F. who was piloting a plane from where Colonel Chrystall directed operations. The plane was hit several times, and Coggins was seriously wounded. He became faint from loss of blood, but stuck to the controls, and brought Colonel Chrystall back to safety.

#### ENEMY DISPERSED

Later information shows that the enemy were finally dispersed by organised pursuit units of the Arab Legion. The Government is in complete control of the situation, and calm prevails.

The enemy suffered heavy casualties, a number of their chieftains being among the slain.

A Jerusalem message says that infantrymen, co-operating with the air force, captured 88 identified terrorists near the Jerusalem-Jaffa railway to-day. They were in possession of gunpowder and apparently intended to blow up the railway.

Numerous other incidents resulted in the death of a number of terrorists at the hands of British troops in various parts of Palestine.—Reuter.

#### ARABS FLOGGED

Jerusalem, Mar. 12. After the introduction of corporal punishment in Palestine a few weeks ago, the first sentences of flogging were passed to-day by the British authorities on two Arab boys aged 14 and 12 years.

The 14 year-old youth was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and 12 lashes, and the younger boy was sentenced to six lashes.

Two other young Arabs were sentenced to death.

All the sentences were passed for carrying arms, and were imposed by the Jerusalem military court.—Trans-Ocean.

### 15 Die In Fire In Hokkaido

Hakodate, Mar. 12. Fifteen persons, including 7 children, were burnt to death when a fire broke out in a dry goods store at Matsukazecho, Hakodate City Saturday night.

Six houses were destroyed and one other was partially destroyed before the fire was put under control. A strong gale hampered the efforts of fire-fighters.—Domei.

**A COMFORT**

Then Mr. Wink died. His widow found the friendship of the Millars a great comfort in her loneliness, and often visited them.

Last November Mrs. Wink died. When her will was produced Adam Millar, now fifty-five years old, found that she had left him a \$1,000 house.

In acknowledgement of his kindness and courtesy when she travelled on his bus.

### France Is Fortifying Camranh Bay

TOKYO, Mar. 13.

THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES have started construction of fortifications in Camranh Bay on a large scale with a view to transforming it into France's largest military base in the Far East.

Camranh Bay is known to the Japanese as the port where the Russian Baltic Fleet touched on its way to the Japan Sea to engage in a fatal battle with the Japanese fleet in 1905, during the Russo-Japanese War.

The press message says that following the approval of the 30,000,000 francs defence budget for the French Far Eastern colony, the Government of French Indo-China has applied its land appropriation act extensively to areas surrounding Camranh Bay.

The French authorities recently prohibited entry of all vessels other than French men-of-war into Camranh Bay.—Domei.

### Slovak Crisis

### GERMAN POLICE, CZECH SOLDIERS IN BORDER CLASHES

PRESSBURG, Mar. 12.

A NUMBER OF incidents between the German voluntary police service and Czech soldiers occurred during Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

Some time after midnight, a Czech military car drew up in front of the headquarters of the German Party. Several shots were fired from the car at German voluntary policemen standing on guard in front of the building. The German guards replied with fire, whereupon the Czech military car drove off. Altogether, about eight shots were fired, though nobody was injured.

Some 70 persons were arrested in Pressburg, including three Reich Germans, who were seized on Saturday night by Czech police and taken into custody despite the intervention of the German Consul-General.

PRESSBURG OCCUPIED

Government headquarters in Pressburg were also occupied on Sunday morning by Hlinka Guards and the German voluntary police. Flags of the Slovak autonomists and the Swastika waved from the buildings.

The provisional deputy Prime Minister, M. Teplyansky, acting before the formation of the Sidor Cabinet, held a telephone conversation with the Prague Foreign Minister, M. Chvalkovsky as a last act before leaving office, when he demanded the disarmament of the German voluntary police force in Slovakia. However, the voluntary policemen have refused to be disarmed.

**"DON'T BLAME US"**

"We deny nobody the right to take measures for security, but we cannot remain inactive if Germany is represented as solely responsible for the gigantic armament measures, or if it is suggested that Germany alone has the intention of attacking her neighbours. Germany's work of reconstruction needs many years of quiet development."

"When the hope of real appeasement grows in the past year, the armament pace of others only increases."

"Where we have achieved a lead in armaments, it shall be held. Where there is a deficiency, it shall be made up."

"Germany is the protector of all Germans on this side of, and beyond our frontier"—Reuter.

### LATEST

### VON CRAMM FOR AUSTRALIA?

Cairo, Mar. 13.—Von Cramm, German tennis champion, will participate in Unistates and Australian tennis championships if those countries accord him visas, he has seriously considered taking up professional tennis career but had received no offer, says "Sport" in Vienna. Von Cramm added that "I will play elsewhere as an individual and not as a German Davis Cup representative. I have no intention of giving up my German nationality."

### Sabotage At Aintree

"Reuter" report from London states C.I.D. investigating attempt to flood Aintree racecourse, where Grand National is to be held on March 24. Flood made in Liverpool Canal flooded extensive area, and water came within 4 miles of jumps. Engineers erecting wall of sandbags and flood under control this morning. No explosives found.

Two hundred and fifty persons who had been sent to Moray after their arrest would be brought back within the next 48 hours, and set at liberty.

**"STANDING GUARD"**

Premier Sidor declared that the first Council of Ministers of the new Slovak Government would meet to-night and deliberate on an immediate course of action.

The President of the Slovakian Diet had asked the Czechoslovakian President to postpone the next meeting of the Diet until March 28. Premier Sidor would then submit to the Diet the programme of the new Government, and at the same time make a report of the work already accomplished by the Government.

The Premier ended his speech with the words: "We are standing guard in Slovakia. We are independent national life in Slovakia. There is now no going back. Slovakia must go forward!"—Trans-Ocean.

**PROVISIONAL COMPROMISE**

London, Mar. 13.—The last 48 hours has not made this Slovak problem much clearer to the

(Continued on Page 7)

London, Mar. 13.—NEWSPAPER DESPATCHES from Hainan Island allege that Soviet troops invaded Manchukuo for the third time in eight days.

Seventy Red troops crossed the border in the vicinity of the frontier market, "F," and allegedly took up positions inside Manchukuo, but were dislodged by the Japanese after a sharp engagement lasting an hour.

Four Japanese are reported to have been wounded.

Hainan officials immediately began drafting a strong protest to

the United States.

Trans-Ocean.

Soviet Troops Across Border Hot Engagement With Japanese



# TOKYO BELIEVES EUROPEAN 'SHOW-DOWN' SET FOR MAR. 26

## IMPORTANT PRONOUNCEMENT PREPARED BY MUSSOLINI

ROME, MAR. 11.  
THE STRAINED ATMOSPHERE OVER THE EUROPEAN POLITICAL SITUATION WILL, IT IS BELIEVED, COME TO A "SHOWDOWN" WHEN THE FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL MEETS ON MARCH 26 TO CELEBRATE THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS ORGANISATION.

Climaxing the recent large-scale mobilisation of troops, Premier Benito Mussolini is expected to make an important declaration on Italy's diplomatic policies vis-a-vis the civil war in Spain and colonial problems.

### COLONIAL LEADERS IN ROME

Back here on urgent summons of Premier Mussolini, the Viceroy of Abyssinia, the Duke of Aosta, Marshal Italo Balbo, Governor-General of Libya, and Marshal Badoglio, who recently reviewed the Italian forces in Libya, on Friday night attended the Supreme Military Council at Palazzo Venezia.

Important measures to counter-act the reported movement of British troops in Egypt and the mobilisation of French forces in Africa were understood to have been discussed at Friday night's conference, which was personally presided over by Premier Mussolini.

The Duke of Aosta arrived here from Ethiopia by aeroplane at 3 p.m. on Friday. Following the military conference, he is returning to Ethiopia in the next few days. Marshal Badoglio and General Balbo arrived here from Libya on Friday.

Meanwhile, the Fascist Grand Council, which was originally scheduled to meet on March 20, was officially declared postponed until March 26 on Thursday. An official announcement says that the postponement has been necessitated by the progress of the military mobilisation and other internal affairs.

An official statement afterwards said: "The coffin of King George V was removed from the royal vault and placed in a tomb in the second westernmost bay on the north side of the nave.

"The figure of King George is shown in white marble, wearing an Admiral's uniform and the Garter robes."—Reuters.



MR. C. T. WANG, recently Chinese Ambassador to the United States, photographed at his home in Kowloon. With Mr. Wang is Mr. S. Y. Hsu, who was Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo until his recall by the Chinese Government.

### Grand Total Of Japan's Budget Is Yen 10,410,000,000

TOKYO, Mar. 12.  
The grand total of Japan's budget, inclusive of the general and extraordinary military budgets, for the 1939-40 fiscal year, amounts to yen 10,410,000,000.

Included in the grand total are yen 3,094,000,000 for contracting liabilities outside the yen 4,005,000,000 for the general budget, purview of the Budget. The yen 200,000,000 supplementary budget for civil service Ministers which was finally determined by the Ministry of Finance on Saturday, will shortly be submitted to the Diet. This sum includes yen 7,000,000 for payment for Government's holdings of the shares of the projected Japan Aviation Corporation.—Domei.

400,000 MOBILISED

Informed quarters estimate that between 300,000 and 400,000 troops have been affected by the recent general mobilisation.

The P. & O. liner *Jaypore* left Shimonoseki yesterday and is due here on Friday at about 1 p.m.

## THE BUSINESS BAROMETER

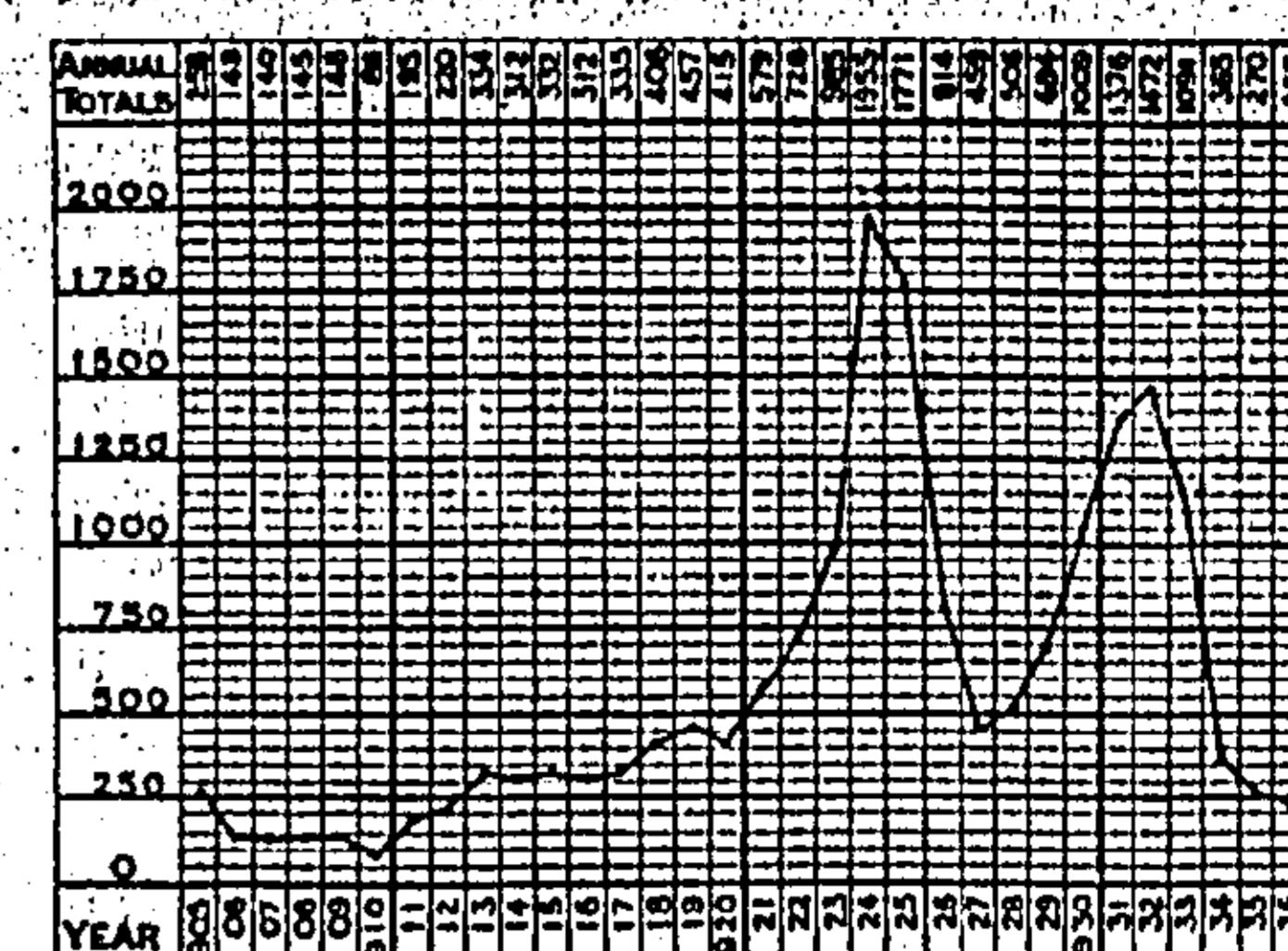


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## FRIGIDAIRE

Features of the 1939 Cold Wall Models

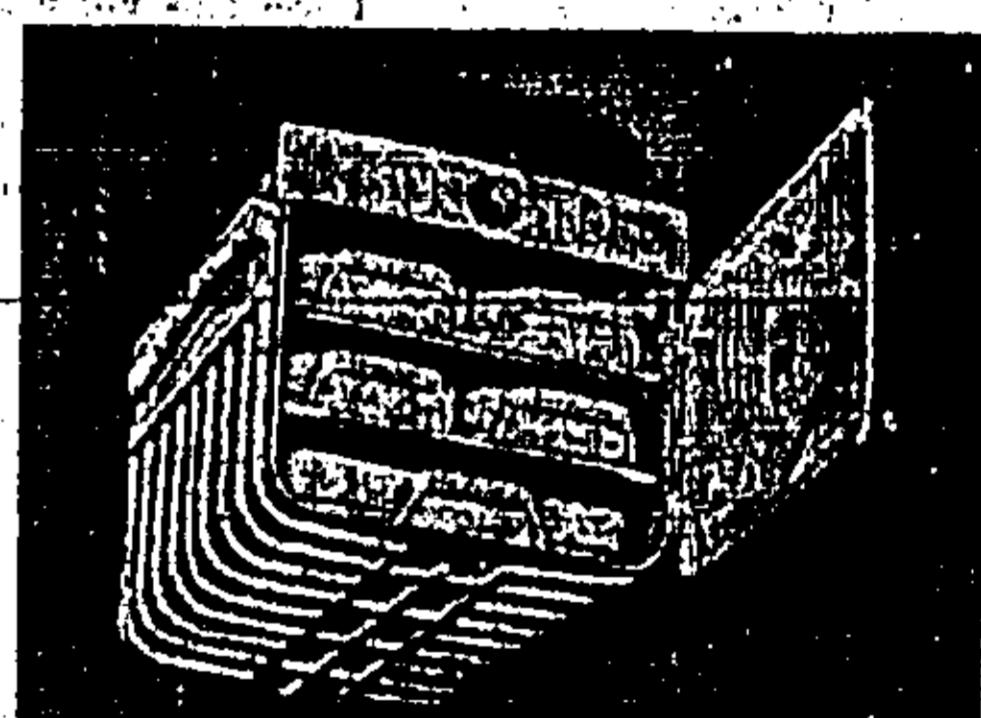
Three in one. All three functions of the Cold Control, the Automatic Reset Defroster and the Master Switch are now controllable from a single dial which is known as the Frigidaire Uni-Matic Control.



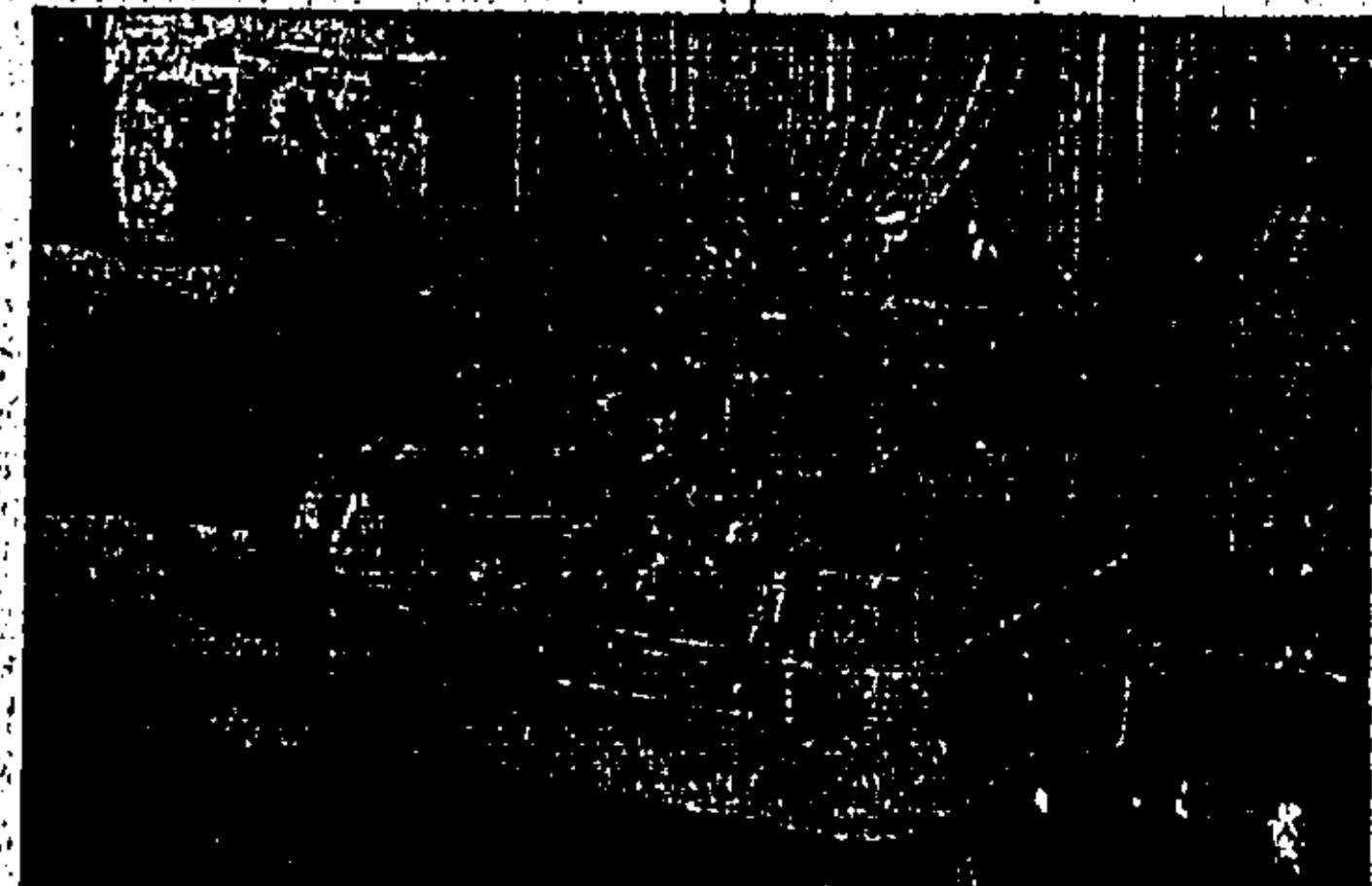
Here's an added refinement that users will appreciate: a new Super Freezer Door which closes at a finger's touch, but, most important of all, it opens all the way and stays open until you want it to close.

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## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were  
listed on the Hongkong Stock Mar  
ket this morning:

## BANKS

H.K. Banks \$..... 1430 n.  
H.K. Banks Lon. £..... 90 n.  
Chartered £..... 95 n.  
Mercantile, A. & B. £..... 273/4 n.  
Mercantile, C. £..... 13 n.  
East Asia \$..... (x. d.) 85 b.

## INSURANCES

Canton ..... 225 b.  
Union ..... 480 b.  
China Underwriter etc. ..... 56 n.  
H.K. Fire ..... 187 b.

## SHIPPING

Douglas \$..... 67 b.  
Steamboats \$..... 15 n.  
Indo-China, P. \$..... 60 n.  
Indo-China, D. \$..... 24 n.  
Shell Bearers £/..... 89 1/4 n.  
Waterboats \$..... 9 n.

## DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$..... 132 b.  
Docks (old) \$..... 18 1/2 b.  
Docks (new) \$..... 17 1/2 b.  
Providents (old) \$..... 64 1/2 n.  
Providents (new) \$..... 62 1/2 n.  
New Eng. Sh. \$..... 60 00 n.  
Sha. Docks, Sh. \$..... 105 n.

## MINING

Kailan \$/..... 19 n.  
Raubu \$/..... 8 1/2 n.  
Venu Goldfield \$/..... 3 n.  
Hongkong Mines etc. ..... 44 1/2 n.  
Antumoku P. \$/..... 40 n.  
Atoko P. \$/..... 27 n.  
Baguio Gold P. \$/..... 27 n.  
Benguet Cons. P. \$/..... 13 00 n.  
Coco Grove P. \$/..... 47 n.  
Con. Mines P. \$/..... 13 1/2 n.  
Demonstrations P. \$/..... 13 1/2 n.  
I.X.L P. \$/..... 13 1/2 n.  
Gumans ..... 225 n.  
San Mauricio P. \$/..... 21 1/2 n.  
Paracales P. \$/..... 73 n.

## LANDS

Hotels \$..... 685 n.  
Lands \$..... 36 1/2 n.  
Lands 4% deb. \$..... 107 1/2 n.  
Shai Lands Sh. \$/..... 94 n.  
Humphreys \$/..... 65 1/2 n.  
H.K. Realities \$/..... 43 1/2 n.  
Chinese Estates \$/..... 100 n.

## UTILITIES

Trams \$/..... 17 b.  
Peak Trams (old) \$/..... 8 n.  
Peak Trams (new) \$/..... 4 n.  
Star Ferries \$/..... 67 1/2 n.  
Y. Ferries (old) \$/..... 24 n.  
Y. Ferries (new) \$/..... 23 n.  
China Lights (old) \$/..... 68 1/2 n.  
China Light (new) \$/..... 60 n.  
H.K. Electrics \$/..... 50 1/2 n.  
Macau Electrics \$/..... 18 1/2 n.  
Sundakan Lights \$/..... 11 1/2 n.  
Telephones (old) \$/..... 22 1/2 n.  
Telephones (new) \$/..... 7 30 n.  
Tractions \$/..... 23 n.  
Tractions (Pref.) \$/..... 23 1/2 n.

## INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macq. (ord.), Sh. \$/..... 14 n.  
Cald: Macq. (Prc.), Sh. \$/..... 13 n.  
Canton Ices \$/..... 1 b.  
Cements \$/..... 14 10 n.  
H.K. Ropes \$/..... 4 10 b.  
STORES, &c.Dairy Farms \$/..... 20 1/2 n.  
Watsons \$/..... 0 1/2 n.  
Lane Crawfords \$/..... 8 n.  
Shinners \$/..... 1 80 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) \$/..... 45 b.  
Powell, Ltd. etc. ..... 90 n.

## COTTON MILLS

Evo. Sh. \$/..... 18 n.  
Shai Cotton Sh. \$/..... 105 n.  
Zoing Shing, Sh. \$/..... 24 n.  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$/..... 40 n.

## MISC.

I.L.K. Entertainments \$/..... 7 b.  
Constructions \$/..... 14 n.  
Vibro Piling \$/..... 63 1/2 b. & n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 ..... 69 n.  
G. Bonds ..... 69 n.  
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/4% par. n.  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prn. b.  
Marsmans (Lond.) \$/..... 19 1/2 n.  
Marsmans (H.K.) \$/..... 3 1/2 n.

## MANILA SHARES

Closing quotations through Reuters:  
Afternoon Morning  
Closing Closing  
Price PriceAmanok ..... 44 1/2 44 1/2  
Atok ..... 40 24 1/2  
Barilo Gold ..... 27 27  
Balong Buhay ..... 121 121  
Big. Wedge ..... 120 120  
Coco Grove ..... 45 45  
Cons. Mines ..... 103 103  
I.X.L ..... 67 67  
Ipo Gold ..... 24 24  
Logon King ..... 14 14  
Mabrite Cons. ..... 19 17  
Mine Operations ..... 13 13  
North Cons. ..... 13 13  
Oriental Guimaras ..... 14 14  
San Mauricio ..... 22 22  
Surigao Cons. ..... 22 22  
Syndicate Invest. ..... 73 73  
United Paracale ..... 73 73The following is Swan, Culbertson & F. report on this morning's market:  
The Manila market was quiet with most stocks unchanged from Saturday's close. Atok, Big. Wedge, Demonstration, Surigao, Consolidated and Suyoc Consolidated all showed losses of 1/2 centavo, while Coco Grove and Paracale, Guimaras gained 1/2 centavo and Mabrite Consolidated 1 centavo.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS &amp; SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

## Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

## JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; CO., LTD.

General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

## THE HONGKONG &amp; KOWLOON WHARF &amp; GODOWN CO., LTD.

## Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

## By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager, Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

## Exchange At A Glance

## SELLING

T.T. London ..... 15. 225/32  
Demand ..... 15. 225/32  
T.T. Shanghai ..... 175  
T.T. Singapore ..... 52 1/2  
T.T. Japan ..... 105 1/2  
T.T. India ..... 82 1/2  
T.T. U.S.A. ..... 28 1/2  
T.T. Manila ..... 58  
T.T. Bangkok ..... 54 1/2  
T.T. Bangkok ..... 150 1/2  
T.T. France ..... 108 1/2  
T.T. Germany ..... 10. 87  
T.T. Switzerland ..... 120 1/2  
T.T. Australia ..... 10 1/2

## BUYING

4 m/s L/C London ..... 13 1/2  
4 m/s D/P do ..... 13 1/2  
4 m/s U.S.A. ..... 20 1/2  
4 m/s France ..... 11. 27  
30 m/s India ..... 83 1/2  
U.S. Cross rate in Lon. 4.09 3/32

The P. &amp; O. liner Corfu left Singapore on Saturday and is due here on Wednesday at about 2 p.m.



## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

## 50 YEARS AGO

March 13, 1889.  
Hongkong Jockey Club—Tenders are invited for Plans and Estimates for a New Grand Stand. M. Grote, Acting Clerk of the Course.

W. S. Gilbert says he would abolish lights on the stage, if they were only worn to enhance the attractions of a play. "A Rolling" said the eminent playwright, "may wear decent lights, but what I object to are the sorts of ladies' tight-clothing, which are merely worn, in my opinion, to gratify the eyes of the young gentlemen in the stalls. In the old days, when I wrote burlesques, I was glad enough to get a few pieces produced; but, having no authority, I had no choice but to make them. When I came into power I was told that burlesques were the strongest advance in last June. Farm-equipment, electrical-equipment and automobile shares were the leading securities.

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The absence of swollen inventories, inflated credits and high interest rates favour the retention of equities.

The growing restlessness of idle funds is reflected in the strength of American Telegraph &amp; Telephone and du Pont de Nemours stocks. The spread of yield between high-grade and second-grade bonds does not indicate any impending reversal of the up-trend.

Odd lot traders were selling and buying during the past week. The technical position is probably as good as before the up-swing began a few weeks ago.

The market, on the whole, was little affected by the selling of copper shares.

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## MARCH 11, 1939.

## THE FOLLOWING IS A CABLE SYNOPSIS OF THE TRADER'S COLUMN IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE OF BARRON'S WEEKLY:

NEW YORK: MARCH 11 (SATURDAY)

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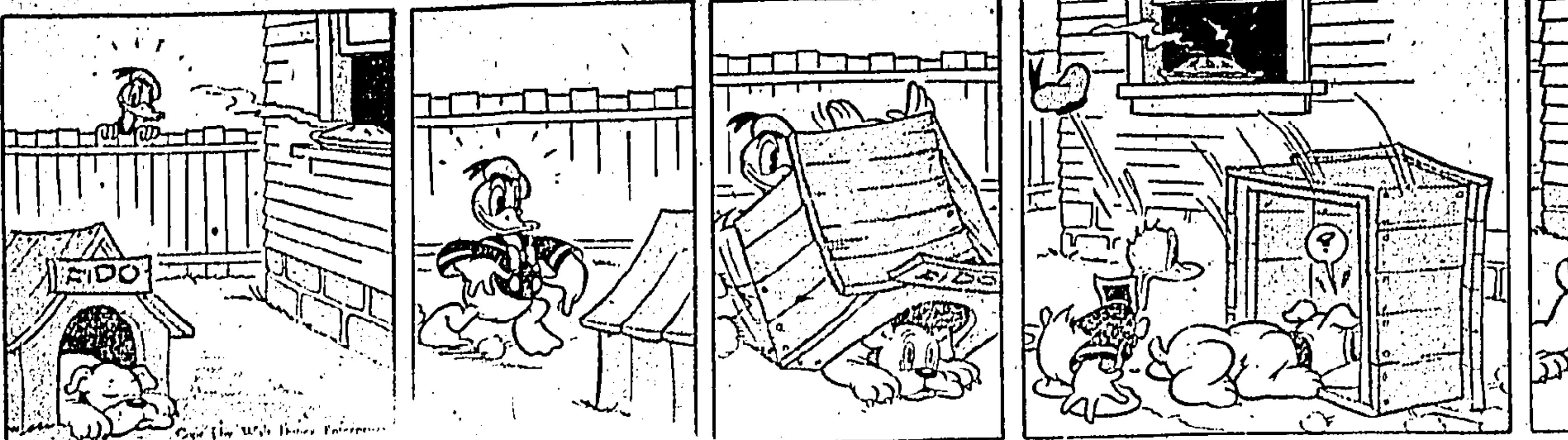
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## 25 WARSHIPS IN TEST OF SINGAPORE DEFENCE

About 25 warships of the China and East Indies Stations—cruisers, destroyers, submarines, an escort vessel and an aircraft-carrier—will take part in manoeuvres off the coast of Singapore this month during which the fixed defences of the fortress will be tested.

They began last week when the destroyers Duncan, Delight, Duchess and Diamond manœuvred stealthily without lights in Singapore waters, after their arrival from Hongkong.

The naval exercises will culminate in an "attack" on Singapore early on Friday morning, during Singapore's first compulsory black-out.

Scattered warplanes and troops of the garrison will take part in the exercises.

**CRUISE TO STRAITS PORTS**

The four destroyers are making a cruise to Malacca Straits ports.

The four destroyers will return to Singapore to-day, when the cruisers Manchester and Norfolk from the East Indies Station will arrive at Singapore from Rangoon and the submarines Orpheus and Proteus will also arrive after carrying out exercises in the Malacca Straits.

After a cruise of Netherlands Indies ports, the depot ship Medway and six submarines—Regulus, Regent, Rover, Pandora, Rorqual and Parthian—reached Singapore on Saturday.

**COMPULSORY BLACK-OUT**

The cruisers Kent, flagship of the China Station, and Suffolk, the escort vessel Falmouth, the aircraft-carrying Eagle, the destroyers Darling and Westcott and the Otus will reach Singapore on Friday.

Early on the morning of that day all the naval craft will take part in manoeuvres which will take the form of an attack on Singapore. "Enemy" carrier-borne planes will fly over Singapore during the attack, when Singapore's first compulsory black-out will be in operation.

Medway and her brood of submarines will leave for Hongkong on March 22. The East Indies Station cruisers will sail for Colombo on March 24 and the cruisers Kent and Suffolk and the escort vessel Falmouth will end their Singapore stay on March 30.

## CORONATION CEREMONY

## Half-Million People Pack St. Peter's

VATICAN CITY, Mar. 12.

OVER HALF A MILLION people were packed in St. Peter's Square, and down the new half a mile road reaching almost to the River Tiber, when Pope Pius XII was crowned supreme Pontiff on the outside balcony of St. Peter's at midday to-day.

It was first time since 1846 that the Pope had been crowned in public. Millions of the faithful all over the world listened to a description of the ceremonies broadcast in seven languages.

The ceremonies connected with the coronation began at 8 a.m., and were conducted with the solemn splendour of centuries-old tradition.

Diplomats and princes from all parts of the world were among the worshippers who packed the great Basilica to capacity during high mass.

—Reuters.

**THANKS TO LIN SEN**

CHUNGKING, Mar. 12.

Pope Pius XII has cabled his thanks to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, for his congratulatory message on the election of His Holiness to the Papacy.

Central News.

The Canadian Pacific Liner Empress of Canada arrived at Vancouver yesterday.

## MADRID QUIET

## Communist Leaders Surrender To Miaja

MADRID, Mar. 12.

THE CAPITAL is now considered to be free of Communist influence.

The leaders are stated to have surrendered unconditionally.

A Paris message says that Madrid is starting to live normally again, and tramway workers are replacing over-head wires.

The inhabitants in the Chamartin district, where the Communists made their last stand, are now returning to their homes.

Shops are re-opening on Monday, and municipal workers are already at their posts.—Reuters.

**STRONGHOLDS SURRENDER**

MADRID, Mar. 12.

At 9 o'clock to-night, General Casado issued a statement saying that the "last of the rebel strongholds had surrendered unconditionally."

The statement was issued after the Council for Defence had met in session from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., and it added that "the situation was excellent after the total liquidation of the rebels."

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Planes flying between Chungking and Hanoi will stop over at Kunming.—Central News.

## Chungking-Hanoi Air Service

Chungking, Mar. 13.

The Chungking-Hanoi air service operated by the C.N.A.C. will be inaugurated to-morrow, a trial flight by a Douglas plane on March 8 having proved satisfactory.

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## GAVE NEWS TO WORLD

## H.K. Cable "Scoop" Recalled By Visit

MEET THE American newspaperman who scored the Far East's greatest news scoop of the nineteenth century.

He is septuagenarian Edward Walker Harden, former newspaper correspondent who now follows the more sedate occupation of stock and bond brokerage.

Mr. Harden is revisiting Hongkong, 41 years after he lodged a cablegram in this Colony, telling the first story of Admiral Dewey's victory in Manila Bay.

Accompanied by Mrs. Harden, the veteran correspondent is making an air trip around the world, duplicating at a faster pace a journey he made in 1898.

## SAW BATTLE

Mr. Harden was aboard one of Dewey's ships during the Battle of Manila Bay and his 50-word message to the New York "World" and the Chicago "Tribune" was the first authentic account of the battle to reach the United States, six days after the battle. But his message arrived six hours ahead of Admiral Dewey's.

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## EXPENSIVE CABLE

The cables between Manila and Hongkong were cut before the battle began, on Sunday, May 1, 1898. After the battle, Admiral Dewey despatched a ship to Hongkong with his message. Correspondent Harden was aboard that ship.

Arriving at Hongkong, the young newspaperman wrote a brief account of the battle and marked it "urgent." At that time the rate was \$33 a word, three times the ordinary rate. Admiral Dewey sent what is known as a "repeat" message, for greater accuracy, and as a result Harden's message reached the States ahead of the admiral's.

The New York "World" and other newspapers within the syndicate for which Harden was working had the news of the American victory on Saturday morning, May 7.

## MADRID RUMOUR

Before the cables were cut, the Spanish forces in Manila had sent a message to Madrid saying that there had been a battle in which several American ships were destroyed. As a matter of fact, Dewey lost no ship. Harden's despatch was the first authentic account of the battle to reach the outside world.

Mr. Harden has kept his early connection with the Philippines by membership in the Manila Bay Club and the Order of the Carabao. He was in the Philippines six months in 1898.

The Hardens arrived in Hongkong by Clipper on Friday, and from here will proceed by plane to Bangkok, Caleutta, Alexandria, Athens, Rome, Paris and London. On their return to New York about May 1, Mr. and Mrs. Harden will visit the New York World's Fair.

Mr. Harden is senior partner of the firm of Baker, Weeks and Harden, members of the New York Stock Exchange, and a director of the Radio Corporation of America and the National Broadcasting Company.

## LETTERS

Without Charge

To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir.—On March 3 last you kindly published a notice in regard to a proposed Auxiliary Fire Service in Hong Kong. Appeal was made for volunteers for this Service. I regret that, owing to a typing error, a mistake occurred in the notice which stated that applicants would have to undergo medical examination "with charge." The correct reading was "without charge."

May I trespass on your courtesy to bring to the notice of the public that volunteers will not be required to meet any expenses, either for medical examination or for equipment. The very limited response so far to the appeal may be due to misunderstanding on this point.

T. H. K. C.

Chief Officer, Fire Brigade.

120, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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Russia ?

THE biggest handicap in British diplomacy at the present time is of the British Government's own creation. It is their deliberate cold-shouldering of Russia.

This refusal of Mr. Chamberlain and his colleagues to collaborate with Russia contributed more than anything else to the democratic rout at Munich. Russia had publicly avowed in unambiguous terms her intention of fulfilling her treaty obligations. But the British Government apparently preferred to believe the little-tattle of cosmopolitan busy-bodies who asserted that Russia was either unwilling or unable to fulfil her obligations.

This determination to force Russia into isolation—to treat her as the pariah of Europe—continues. Mr. Chamberlain, it seems, would prefer to lose the British Empire without Russian support than keep it with Russian help.

It is not only that the British Government are throwing away a valuable friend in time of peace and a powerful ally if need should arise. The inevitable effect of trying to isolate Russia must be to throw her into the arms of Germany. This possibility has often haunted the Foreign Offices of France and Britain, and now Mr. Chamberlain seems in a fair way to bringing it about.

In view of Herr Hitler's denunciations of "Bolshevism," such an outcome may seem impossible. But stranger things have happened, and the present trade talks between Russia and Germany should give abundant food for thought in Downing Street.

**KORDA: NO  
ROMANCE**

MR. ALEXANDER KORDA, the film producer, who arrived at Plymouth recently from New York, denied that he was married or that there was a romance between him and Merle Oberon.

He also described as "nonsense" reports that he was fed up with England and was contemplating living in America.

"I may make films occasionally in Hollywood, but London will always be my headquarters," he said.

TO-DAY IN HISTORY

**A BISHOP  
who sought health  
IN TAR-WATER**

"I HAVE," said Dr. George Berkeley, Bishop of Cloyne, "bestowed more pains on this work than on any of my other productions."

Berkeley referred to a book entitled "Virtues of Tar-water," in which he extolled the benefits of a concoction for curing various ailments.

Accused of exaggerating, Berkeley retorted: "To speak out, I suspect tar-water is a panacea."

Whereupon the newspapers of the day waxed sarcastic at the bishop's expense. Here is an epigram published in one periodical:

"Who dare deride what pious  
Cloyne has done?"

The Church shall rise and  
 vindicate her son;  
 She tells us all her bishops sheep-  
 herds are,  
 And shepherds heal their rotten  
 sheep with tar."

Parliament considered the plan and gave its approval, and Berkeley made preparations to take a number of kindred spirits.

For seven years, however, Sir Robert Walpole made various excuses for withholding the charter and grant of £20,000 promised by the Government.

Meanwhile Berkeley had set sail for Rhode Island, accompanied by his wife—the daughter of the Speaker of the Irish House of Commons.

The whole scheme was doomed to failure, owing mainly to the breach of faith of Sir Robert Walpole, who eventually applied the money to other purposes.

After spending all the funds he could raise from his deanery and from other sources, Berkeley was forced to abandon his project for converting the Indians.

Through Dean Swift Berkeley had made the acquaintance of the celebrated Vanessa, Mrs. Hester Van Homregh, who, upon discovering that Swift was married, left Berkeley half her property. It appears that she had met him only once at dinner.

Berkeley suffered from what he described as nervous colic and could obtain relief only from his own specific.

Apart from this obsession of Berkeley's, he was a remarkable man. He was a great philosopher and mathematician, though often unorthodox.

At Trinity College, Dublin, where he was educated, opinion was divided as to whether he was fool or a prodigy. His subsequent career proved that he was no fool, for before he was 23 he was a fellowship.

Within three years he published his "Theory of Vision," in which he discussed the prevailing ideas of sight and touch.

He argued that a man born blind could be made to see, would be unable to recognise any object by sight which he had previously known by touch. Such person, too, would have no sense of the relative distance of objects.

This argument was proved in a strange way, 18 years afterwards, when a young man, blind from birth, suddenly recovered to sight. He declared that he could not distinguish a clock from a cat by sight, and was so confused between his newly-acquired faculty and his touch that he wanted to know which of the two senses were lying.

Next year Berkeley published his "Principles of Human Knowledge," in which he tried to prove that the common notion of the existence of matter was wrong, and that common articles of everyday use existed only as ideas in the mind.

He further developed this theory in "Three Dialogues Between Hylas and Philonous," which, if it did not convince eighteenth century scientists, gave him a reputation as a writer and the friendship of Dean Swift.

One of Berkeley's last acts was to make over £200 worth of rents from the sea lands at Cloyne to poor housekeepers in his diocese.

Meanwhile, from 1707, he had been engaged as a college tutor. In 1712 he paid a short visit to England, and in April 1713 Swift presented him at Court.

He soon made himself popular in London and became chaplain to Lord Peterborough, whom he accompanied to the Continent, returning in August 1714.

From 1715 to 1720 he travelled again as tutor to the son of Dr. St. George Ashe, an Irish Bishop.

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MONDAY, MARCH 13.

St. Gregory the Great

Born: Bishop George Berkeley, philosopher, 1684.

Died: Caesar Borgia, killed, 1508; Ludovick Muggleton, founder of the Muggletonians, 1697.

His first preferment in the Church was the deanship of Derry. He was not sooner settled in this post than he conceived an idea for converting the North American Indians. He proposed the building of a college in Bermuda as a missionary school. He offered to resign his deanship, worth £1100 a year, and go out there as the first president at a salary of £100 a year.

Parliament considered the plan and gave its approval, and Berkeley made preparations to take a number of kindred spirits.

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After his return from Rhode Island, where he had spent three years waiting for the Government grant, he published the most useful of his works, "The Minute Philosopher," written in the form of dialogue.

It was a critical survey of the various forms of free-thinking of the time. It was warmly appreciated by certain sections of the Church, and was shown to the Queen, with whom Berkeley became a great favourite.

Through her influence he was appointed to the deanship of Down, and in 1730 promoted to the see of Cloyne.

In the same year his "Analyst," again on the subject of free-thinking, placed him in the centre of a hot controversy.

At this period Berkeley went into retirement, devoting himself to the discharge of his duties as Bishop, and in works of charity.

In 1745 he refused the see of Clogher, which would have doubled his income.

He kept up a correspondence with the prominent men of the day and wrote a number of pamphlets on various subjects. It was now that he wrote his treatise on the virtues of tar-water.

Despite the regular draughts of tar-water, Berkeley's health began to fail.

He was unable to carry on his work in Ireland, and he went to Oxford and requested permission of the King to resign his see with the view to obtaining a canonry in that city.

The King, however, refused to accept his resignation. "Berkeley shall die a bishop, in spite of himself," said George II, and he gave him permission to live wherever he chose.

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**GRIN AND BEAR IT**

By Lichy



**BRITAIN PREPARES-II**

**NATIONAL  
SERVICE**

by

H. L. Percy

United Press Staff Correspondent.

LINKED UP with Britain's anti-aircraft army are several voluntary organisations, which, while coming under the heading of Air Raid Precautions, are not actually military in the strict sense of the word.

For instance, there is the observer corps. Members of this, mostly on the coast, man observation posts, and give first warning of approaching enemy aircraft. A complicated code of telephone signals has already been arranged for passing the warning to local headquarters. Recruits must be above the age of 30 and have good hearing and eyesight.

Then there is the balloon barrage. Hundreds of blimps dangling curtains of steel wire will encircle the principal cities. Their purpose is to force enemy planes to heights at which accurate bombing will be impossible.

In addition to London, the following cities are to have barrages: Birmingham, Bristol, Manchester, Liverpool, Sheffield, Derby, Hull, Newcastle, Plymouth, Southampton, Glasgow and Cardiff. It has been officially stated that barrages for most of these cities will be in operation next summer, and all of them by the end of the year.

In London, it was added, the barrage was 90 per cent. operative at the end of 1938, and will be 100 per cent. by this month.

Service in the balloon barrage squadrons is also voluntary, and is open to men aged between 23 and 50, so drivers, which-handlers, riggers and fabric workers.

Another auxiliary service is the training of employees in factories and plants in anti-aircraft defence. Airplane factories, automobile plants, steel mills, and the "shadow" factories now turning out machinery, but which in war-time can be turned over to munitions, will be defended by their own staffs.

These men, classed as indispensable, are being equipped with machine-guns and light two-pound guns for defence against low-flying attacks. Their uniform will be their coveralls, and they will be required to be able to get into action within 20 minutes of downing tools.

**LAST LINE OF DEFENCE**

Britain's second and last line of defence in the next war will be her civil population.

An estimated total of 30,000,000 will be available for this vast "army of the rear," engaged only in passive defence. It will include some young men, unfit for fighting or industry; practically all men past the fighting age up to about 70; and all able-bodied women.

Under the general heading of "National Service," over a score of organisations are open to these civilians, all of them designed to contend with the effects and results of air-attack. They range from air-raid warden to evacuation officers.

All service is completely voluntary, and whether it is necessary to make it compulsory, as in the scheme, has been explained. It can be made com-

pulsory almost at a moment's notice in an emergency. Decision to let everybody have a hand in defending his and her country was taken after the Czechoslovak crisis. Before that, that is from January, 1938, the Air Raid Precautions Act covered what little preparation for defence there was. This was a more or less luke-warm recruitment as air-raid wardens, weekly instruction in dealing with gas and bombs, and so forth.

**PUBLIC DEMAND**

# Serious Clashes On Moravian Frontier

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outside world, writes the diplomat from Prague.

The aim would be to bring ex-President Benes and his group to power again.

The putsch plans are said to be backed by legionaries and a part of the General Staff.

The planned coup would also extend to Slovakia—Trans-Ocean.

## DIPLOMATS PUZZLED

London, Mar. 12. The anniversary of the Anschluss found diplomatic circles puzzled whether this week's events in Czechoslovakia have heralded another step in Germany's "Drang nach Osten".

Opinions differ whether Germany has any part in the disturbances, although the majority opinion tends to the belief that she encouraged the Slovak separatist movement in order to strengthen her grip on Czechoslovakia.

Another factor is the German minority which, although numerically weak, clamours loudly on behalf of the Slovak extremists, whose leader asserts that behind them stands the power of the Reich.

A very hopeful feature is the absence of any reported incidents.

## GERMAN PROTECTION?

Well-informed circles are of the opinion that it is probable M. Sidor's Government may be compelled to demand the withdrawal of Czech forces, after which, the recently disposed leaders may return. There is some talk of the possibility of a separate Slovak State under German protection, with a customs and currency union with the Reich.

Hitherto the German Government has taken no active steps, nor replied to ex-Premier Tiso's note requesting help. German officials confess inability to read the situation clearly, but deplore its dangerous possibilities.

Semi-official German opinion tends to regard Sidor's Government as a paper Ministry, but lack of positive German action had given rise to the belief in some quarters that the Reich has not decided whether it is opportune to back the Slovak secessionists to the full.—Reuter.

## HUNGARIAN CLAIM

Warsaw, Mar. 12. The view that Ruthenia should be incorporated in Hungary was expressed by Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister in a statement to the Foreign Affairs Commission, in which he shed light on certain important aspects of foreign policy.

He said that the Government had no declaration to make on the Ukrainian problem. It was raised by press propaganda, and was not diplomatic action.

Their relations with Soviet were based on a pact of non-aggression and the bilateral declaration of November last. Traces of tension which arose, not out of actual feelings between the two, but through their attitude towards other States and problems, had disappeared.

Colonel Beck next referred to Poland's interest in the Baltic region, the situation at Danzig, and the negotiations with Germany on the subject of the minorities.

## COLONIAL CLAIMS

Dealing with colonial claims which "life obliges us to consider," Colonel Beck said that foreign attitude to Polish wishes was becoming more and more friendly. The Government had not formulated precise demands or plans, but it was convinced that it would be called to table deliberations as soon as the question was ready for international discussion.

The problem of Jewish emigration must be settled in collaboration with States in possession of territories for emigrants, and the Jews themselves.—Reuter.

## MORAVIAN INCIDENTS

Prague, Mar. 12. A series of incidents, during which Czechs assaulted Germans, occurred in Brno, Moravia, to-day on the occasion of the anniversary of the incorporation of Austria into the Reich.

All German house owners and tenants had hoisted Swastika flags as well as the Czech-Slovak flag.

The first incident occurred in the morning at the German Hotel Hoffmann, where a number of Czechs smashed a window and attempted to tear down the Swastika flag.

About the same time, a German fireman was assaulted by Czechs in a street and knocked down.

When a Czech crowd sang the Czech National Anthem in the largest square in the city, a German, who did not take off his hat, and his wife were assaulted. The police, it is alleged, did not interfere.

Another incident took place when a German student was attacked by Czechs.

News of the incidents attracted large crowds, who marched through the streets singing German songs, and protesting against the Czech action.

A further affray took place in Prague when several young Germans in a Czech cafe were assaulted by Czechs as they sang German songs. Two of the Germans were seriously injured in the fight, while the police arrested one of the assailants.—Trans-Ocean.

## LEFTIST PUTSCH RUMOURS

Reichenberg, Mar. 12. Rumours of a Leftist putsch to take place this week are current among followers of the dissolved Czech

## P. W. D. OFFICES

### Garages to Be Converted By Government

It is notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Conversion of P.W.D. Garages into offices," will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until noon of Monday, March 27.

The work consists of the partial demolition of the existing garages and the addition of an extra story to convert them into offices.

It is also notified that sealed tenders marked "Tender for New Government Stores, North Point," will be received until noon of March 27. The work consists of the erection of a store and offices.

## Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correctly spelt and what is wrong with the others?

holy-hock

knobberry

English Oxford Dictionary

spell-

the name of these words will be found on the front page.



As Highland troops march past at Aldershot recently, the King stands at the salute, with the Queen smiling at his side. The King is wearing the uniform of the Cameron Highlanders, of which he is colonel-in-chief. March past followed dedication of a new wing of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

## Britain Prepares II

# Third Of Series Of Articles On Britain's Defence Measures

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weeks at time of writing, it is impossible to say whether or not it is succeeding.

## NATIONAL SERVICE

National Service was initiated about the last week in January with the issue of a White Paper listing several hundred "reserved occupations."

This meant that generally speaking those engaged in occupations listed should not volunteer for national service, and might not be required in war time, since their occupation comes under the heading of indispensable.

It was estimated that it accounted for about 7,000,000 of the working population. It contained many anomalies. For instance, the list included all the mechanical branches of the newspaper trade, but not the editorial staffs.

## 20,000,000 HANDBOOKS

At the same time as the White Paper, the Government, through the mails, distributed 20,000,000 handbooks to householders throughout the country. These 48-page booklets, in concise and simple language, rounded up all the various defence organisations the man-in-the-street can join if he wishes.

Brief particulars about the age limits, the nature of the work, how to join, and where to get additional information are set out for each service.

Officially entitled "National Service," A guide to the ways in which the people of this country may give service, it contains a message from Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain. This is a facsimile letter in Chamberlain's own hand-writing on No. 10 Downing Street notepaper. It reads:

10. Downing Street, Mar. 12, 1939.  
I am of all of us it is  
a pleasure to be right.  
Now to come over to you  
is a story. As I am  
you know and you are  
anxious to play your part  
in this guide will give to my  
wife you to read it carefully  
and to decide how you can  
help.  
Yours sincerely,  
Neville Chamberlain.

The wording of the first two sentences of this message caused a delay in the distribution of the booklets. It had been planned to issue them about the first or second week in January, but Chamberlain and Lord Halifax were going to Rome on January 11, and it was felt that the Italians might not like that—remark about "being strong."

The handbook also contains a foreword by Sir John Anderson. He says: "This call is to peace and not to war. We have no thought of aggression; our one wish is to live at peace with all peoples. But if this wish is to be fulfilled we must be up and doing. We must make ourselves strong so that our influence for peace may be real, and we must make ourselves safe so that others cannot be tempted to thoughts of aggression against us."

Anderson points out that the handbook accounts new careers in the regular fighting services; that it helps to decide whether the reader is

engaged in work vital to the country's security which is itself national service"; and that it is possible to undertake some new whole-time or part-time service in war time and to train for it in peace time.

**SERVICES LISTED**

Here are the services listed in the handbook:

**MAINLY FOR YOUNGER MEN:** The Auxiliary Naval volunteer reserve, ages 15-20.

The Royal Naval volunteer reserve, ages 15-20.

The Royal Army Supplementary Reserve—In-Party of the Lino, ages 17-30.

The Territorial Army, general service in field army, anti-aircraft and coastal defence, ages 17-30.

The auxiliary air force flying squadrons, ages 18-32.

Those with some special qualifications or experience.

The Royal Naval reserve for officers and skilled workers, such as drivers, for:

The Royal Naval supplementary reserve, ages 18-42.

Trademen, for:

The Royal Naval volunteer reserve, ages 18-42.

The Territorial Army, ages 17-45.

The Royal Air Force volunteer reserve, ages 18-30.

The Royal Air force, ages 18-38.

More highly educated men, for:

Pilot and observer duties in the air branch of the Royal Naval volunteer reserve,

The Royal Army, supplementary reserve of officers, ages 18-35.

The auxiliary air force flying squadrons, ages 18-32.

The Royal Naval volunteer reserve, ages 18-45.

The Royal Air Force civilian wireless reserve, ages 18-35.

**MAINLY FOR OLDER MEN:** The Royal Naval volunteer reserve, ages 30-50.

The Royal Air Force, ages 30-50.

A.R.P. report centers and miscellaneous duties, ages over 45.

A.R.P. communications, men over 40, and

the Royal Air Force, ages 18-35.

The Police-war reserve, ages 25-50.

The special constabulary, ages over 50.

The observer corps, ages over 50.

The coastguard and marine service, in anti-aircraft and coast defence units, ages 30-50.



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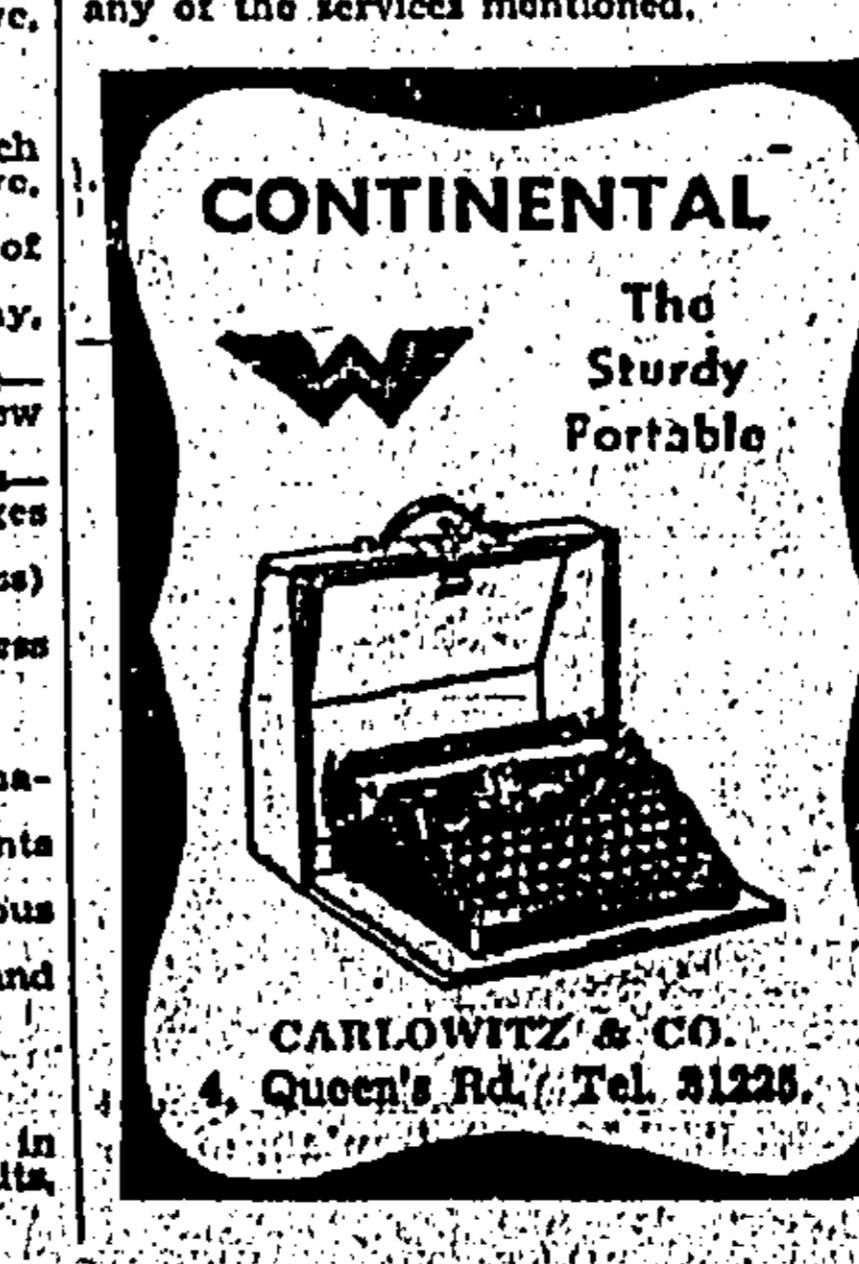
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# POLICE DESERVE TO WIN RUGGER TOURNAMENT

**But P. And O. Out Of Luck In The Final Encounter**

(By "Fly-Half")

Before a large gathering which included their Excellencies the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote and the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett, Police "A" won the local Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament and the right to have their name inscribed on the Blarney Stone Shield at Happy Valley on Saturday.

The Police are also credited with being the first team comprising some non-Club members to have ever won the Tournament. Last year, before rugby had become an organised sport in the Force, one enthusiastic Police rugger player, not together and entered as seven. They were narrowly beaten by Club "A", who went on to win the Tournament; so the Police are to be congratulated on their success in this, their second effort.

Despite dismal weather the games on Saturday were of a high standard and were all keenly contested. In all but one game victory depended on that one try convert which makes all the difference. The ball soon became greasy, which made handling extremely difficult whilst the simplest of kicks at goal were missed. Only three of the 10 tries scored were converted; two by Fay, the Police player and one by Grieve of the P. and O. Building team. With conditions as they were, play was considerably slowed down, whilst sliding past a stationary ball was a frequent occurrence.

#### TEAM WORK

The Police seven won their success to all-round team work, with their covering and back up a feature. They were poor in defence and have to thank Taylor, their 15-stone full back for their extra try which got them to the final.

The three forwards, Onkley, Searle and Heath, laid the foundation to the Police victory by their wholehearted displays. Luscombe, the scrum-half, had a difficult task with a ball which skidded out of the scrum one moment and went into the Tournament. Fay made certain by converting from an easy position in front of the goal.

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At the conclusion of play, His Excellency the Governor presented the Blarney Stone Shield to G. S. Wilson, captain of the Police team.

#### P. AND O. UNLUCKY

The other finalists, the P. and O. Building, were unfortunate to lose Brown in the first five minutes as this resulted in their having to play one back short. Their forwards stood up to their task well, with the evergreen Perra and Austin to the fore. Welch played a stout game at scrum-half and Grieve played well without being brilliant. Brown played a steady game throughout although he found his lack of speed a bit of a handicap at times.

#### THE FINAL

Bidwell was the mainstay of the team, while he and Taylor were the outstanding players in the Tournament. The Club player used his speed to advantage and in defence he saved his side time and again with crashing tackles.

#### THE FINAL

With Police and the P. and O. Building in the final, the odds were

in favour of the latter winning because of their formidable pair of backs, Grieve and Bidwell. Police chances of victory were, however, by no means ruled out in view of the conditions which suited the heavier Police side.

Police went all out right from the kick-off and soon had the Building's line in danger when Taylor went through and looked good for a try, but Bidwell chased after him and overtook him five yards from the line to bundle him into touch. A truly magnificent recovery, Fay next raised the Police team's hopes by a long dribble which again was thwarted by Welch racing back and kicking the ball over the dead-ball line. But Police were not to be outdone and from line-out Heath broke away to score an unconverted try. Half-time came with Police holding a three-point lead.

Police began the second half where they had left off. Taylor, who was playing his best game in the series, dashed away for the line, but once again Bidwell brought him down with a crash tackle just on the line. Heartened by this respite the Building went into attack and after Grieve had paved the way he passed to Bidwell who dashed past Luscombe to score a try and level the scores. Grieve failed to convert.

Just on time Wilson ran off in grand style to outstrip the field except Grieve who caught up with him and brought him down; the ball went loose and Taylor, back up, dribbled over unopposed for the try which won them the Tournament. Fay made certain by converting from an easy position in front of the goal.

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#### THE TEAMS

The following players took part on Saturday:

P. and O. and Another.—J. T. Brown; H. D. Bidwell and W. E. Grieve; P. Welch; C. Austin, W. E. Peers and G. M. Marrs.

Hongkong Bank.—M. G. Cartwright; D. G. Day and A. H. R. Butcher; E. L. Taverner; E. A. Bonapart; J. S. Dunnett and K. A. Watson.

Small Ships "A"—Tel. Polkinghorne; Fay; Lt. Bucknall and Sub-Lt. Ashton; Lt.-Cdr. Clarke; Lt. Anderson; Lt. (E) Brown and A. B. Bowerman.

5th A.A. "A"—Sgt. Page; Gnr. Giblin and Gnr. Easterbrook; Gnr.

# ST. JOSEPH'S DEFEATED BY EASTERN IN A DULL LEAGUE TIE

(By "ABC")

In a game which was as dull as the weather, Eastern defeated St. Joseph's easily on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Football League, winning by five goals to nil after leading by two goals at half time.

Actually the final score rather exaggerated the superiority of the Eastern eleven, though there is no doubt whatever that they deserved to take full points. But for long periods on end, the Saints had as much of the ball as the winners, and only the ineffectual play of the forwards won a resolute defence by Eastern prevented them from scoring.

The ground was so slippery that the players found it difficult to keep on their feet, let alone exhibit good ball control. Nevertheless the Eastern defenders were always on top of their opponents, and repelled all their attacks with ease.

Both sides were unable to field their full teams, but the Eastern reserves fared better in the absence of the Saints' reserves. In the absence of a regular goal-keeper, A. J. Hussain, who had to keep goal, and though this was his first experience between the sticks in a League match he acquitted himself well. But for him, the Eastern score might have been more; towards the end when the Eastern eleven over-ran the Saints' defence, it was he who stopped several apparently certain goals.

#### EASTERN TAKE LEAD

Lee Tack-kei scored both Eastern's goals in the first period. The Saints also had their opportunities, but were unable to make use of them.

In the second half, the Saints made several position changes to no effect. In nothing the difference was weakened and the Eastern forwards found their task made easier by the bad positioning of Marcel and Bowen, the full backs. Ward, Elms and Souza worked very hard in the forward line but their inability to control the ball and the steady play of the Eastern halves and backs rendered their efforts hopeless.

For fully 15 minutes after the resumption, however, the Saints held their own. Then Soong Ling-sing shot at goal, and Hussain, thinking the ball was going past above the bar, had the mortification of seeing it hit him on the rebound and roll past the goal-line. Shortly after this, Woo Chi-sang added the fourth and two minutes before the final whistle, Chan Bing-to scored the fifth.

Teams:  
Eastern.—Lau Hin-hon; B. Y. Zee; Tsang Chung-wan; Lai Shih-tsai; Hsu King-shing; Lo Wai-kuen; Chan

# Tommy Farr To Return To United States

London, Feb. 16.  
Tommy Farr, former British and Empire heavyweight champion, returned to England yesterday, ready at any moment to make a dash to America for a fight with Tony Galento, the New Jersey bartender, who is ranked second to world champion Joe Louis by American authorities.

Joe Gould, the Welshman's manager, is still trying to fix the fight, and if he succeeds will promptly notify his charge.

Until that message arrives, Farr's future is uncertain. Circumstances permitting, he would like to have another fight in this country and suggests Len Harvey as an opponent for a bout during the open-air season.

Farr declared that he had returned home to settle some urgent family matters.

If he can manage to fix up a contest here, the ex-champion is still a big draw, but there are many things to be considered before a promoter would be able to bill him.

# FINISH OF A SPLendid RACE EASTERN SOCCERITES TO TOUR SAIGON



An exciting finish in one of the girls' races at the Central British School's annual athletic meeting held on Saturday afternoon. The weather was dismal, but nevertheless the boys and girls all enjoyed themselves thoroughly.—Photo by Ming Yuen.

Provided permission is forthcoming from the Hongkong Football Association, the Eastern Football Club will be sending a team to Haiphong and Hanoi for a series of matches at the end of this month.

It is understood that at the invitation of the French Indo-China soccer authorities, Eastern, who are third in the local League Table at the present moment, will play three matches in Hanoi and two in Haiphong.

If the H.K.F.A. gives the necessary permission for the tour, the Eastern team will leave the Colony on March 28, and will be away for approximately three weeks.

Strong though the Eastern players are without outside help, they intend to invite a couple of other players to join them for the tour.

It is also possible that Eastern will make a trip to Macao in the near future to play the Portuguese colony.

# Cambridge Beat Oxford At Hockey

London, Feb. 22.

I cannot remember a year when forecasts of the University hockey match were so unanimous, and what is more, that most difficult of all forecasts—a draw, says an English writer.

When Cambridge opened the score three minutes from the start and scored again 10 minutes later it looked as if the prophets were to be confounded but Oxford rallied and scored from a short corner. Just before the interval the Dark Blues' right wing went away from what appeared to be an outside position and equalised.

Cambridge rather luckily went ahead early in the second half and, although Oxford pressed strongly, they managed to hold on to their slender lead. For this they owed much to the inspired goalkeeping of C. L. Hawson.

#### THE GOLF MATCH

A few weeks ago it was generally agreed that the University golf contest, to be played at Sandwich next month, would be merely a matter of how many matches Cambridge would win.

The Dark Blues, however, are showing more encouraging form at the right time and gained their second success since the season opened by defeating Royal Mid-Surrey by 9 matches to 8, with one halved.

In a two-day match the Royal St. George's Club defeated Cambridge by 14 matches to 10. Cambridge will remain favourites but it looks as if it will be a real match after all.

# Draughts Player Sues The Referee

World draughts champion, Mr. Robert Stewart, in Aldridge Sheriff Court, recently sued the referee chosen for a title match that was never played.

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## NANCY



## Seven More Ladies Chosen For Interport

### THIRD TRIAL HELD AT KING'S PARK YESTERDAY

(By "The Pilgrim")

The Third Ladies' Interport hockey trial took place at King's Park yesterday morning when the Probable Interport XI defeated the Club de Recreio Ladies by three goals to nil.

Four quarters of 15 minutes' play each were played, with changes made after every quarter. After the heavy rain during the previous evening, the ground was slippery, making it very difficult for good ball control. Nevertheless play was interesting throughout.

Out of ten forwards, on view, seven were definitely chosen after the game. They are as follows:

Mrs. Burnett (right wing), Miss B. Harker (inside right), Mrs. Read (centre forward), Mrs. Dalziel (inside left), Miss M. Westcott (left wing), Miss M. Booker (inside right) and Miss J. Greig (centre forward).

Though no goals were scored in the first quarter, play was the best and most interesting. The forward line of Mrs. Burnett, Miss Harker, Mrs. Read, Mrs. Dalziel and Miss Westcott played well and did most of the attacking. The Harker-Burnett combination made an ideal right flank partnership and so did Mrs. Dalziel and Miss Westcott on the left. Mrs. Read was not too brilliant a leader but she was always a triler.

Mrs. Ackroyd was seen in place of Mrs. Dalziel at inside left and Miss J. Greig relieved Mrs. Burnett on the right wing. These were the only changes made in the attack in the second quarter, the Interporters scoring through Mrs. Read off a nice opening made by Miss Harker. Mrs. Ackroyd, however, failed to combine effectively with Miss Westcott. Her fault was that she did not realise she was an inside left and not an inside right, but she had been asked to undertake a job for which she had had little previous practice or



Mrs. Burnett  
chosen after yesterday's trial.

experience. Miss Greig on the wing displayed great speed, if nothing else.

## THIRD QUARTER

Further changes were made in the attack and defence in the third quarter: Mrs. Wilmot was seen at left back in place of Miss A. Fowler; Miss Greaves in the place of Miss H. Reid at left half; Miss J. Ewing in place of Miss Greig on the right wing; and Miss Greig went to centre-forward in place of Mrs. Read. There was no score; the forwards did not impress and one saw very little combined play.

Miss Buchanan was introduced at inside left and Miss M. Booker at inside right in the fourth quarter. Goals were scored by Miss Greig after Miss Barros had made a partial clearance and Miss Westcott added the third. Miss Ewing and Miss Booker were seen in some nice breakaways, the former on many occasions putting in some nice centres. Miss Westcott played a lone game on the left wing, receiving very poor support from Miss Buchanan.

Full credit, however, goes to the Recreio ladies for the splendid fight they put up against a strong and vigorous Interport defence. Miss O. Botelho and Mrs. Silva were hard-working defenders who repeatedly held up the Colony forwards. Miss P. Goncalves, the pivot, also did splendid work. Miss C. Silva led her attack well but was too closely checked by Miss I. Woolley to be of any real danger. It is rather unfortunate that this capable leader is unable to make the trip; otherwise I am sure she would have obtained her Interport colours.

## SOUND DEFENCE

The Colony defence performed splendidly. They were resolute in their methods of attack and continually held up the Recreio attack.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27704), will close at 12 NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21020).

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Miss M. Booker  
she impressed the Selectors

## To-day's Tennis Postponed

Owing to the present state of the ground, to-day's programme of matches in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. has been postponed.

## Cash Sweep Results At Fanling

Race 1		
No. 10	\$100.00	
No. 42	113.22	
No. 100	60.00	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 723,		
Race 2		
No. 462	\$442.74	
No. 30	118.08	
No. 123	77.54	
Unplaced ponies (\$25 each): Nos. 327,		
Race 3		
No. 510	\$111.82	
No. 671	174.72	
No. 69	87.30	
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 369,		
230, 145, 732, 73, 485, 50,		
Race 4		
No. 107	\$607.40	
No. 52	109.28	
No. 109	99.64	
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 722,		
243, 274, 701, 779,		
Race 5		
No. 403	\$682.70	
No. 424	103.38	
No. 534	77.63	
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 711,		
430, 260, 138, 210, 231,		
Race 6		
No. 157	783.01	
No. 617	220.88	
No. 609	113.29	
Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 501,		
174, 420,		

## WOMEN'S GOLF

## Spring Meeting To Be Held At Fanling

The Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at Fanling on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, March 20, 21, and 23. The following competitions will take place.

Monday, March 20

Tombstone Competition, New Course. Hidden prize. Prize kindly presented by Mrs. R. M. Henderson. Cards to be returned by 5.15 p.m.

Driving 1st, tee, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m. Approach, Relief Course, 11 a.m.-12.15 a.m. and 4 p.m.-5.15 p.m. Putting Pool. Putting Course open from Monday to Thursday (four days). Cards 20 cents each; if any number may be taken out, if any more than 50 entries, a 2nd prize will be given, and if more than 75 entries, a 3rd, in the proportion of 3-2-1.

Tuesday, March 21

L.G.U. Medal Competition—Silent, Old Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes; Bronze, New Course, Scratch and Handicap prizes. The silver scratch prize has been kindly presented by Lady MacGregor, and the silver handicap prize by Mrs. Lindsell. The bronze scratch prize has been kindly presented by Mrs. Gilmore and the handicap prize by Mrs. Cassidy. Cards to be returned by 5 p.m.

Thursday, March 23

Booby competition, Old Course. Medal competition, Relief Course. Cards to be returned by 3.45 p.m. The customary photograph will be taken at 4.10 p.m., and the presentation of prizes will be held by Mrs. Lindsell, Captain, immediately after the photograph.

Starting times may be booked each day. One card can win only one prize, but competitors may win any number of prizes.

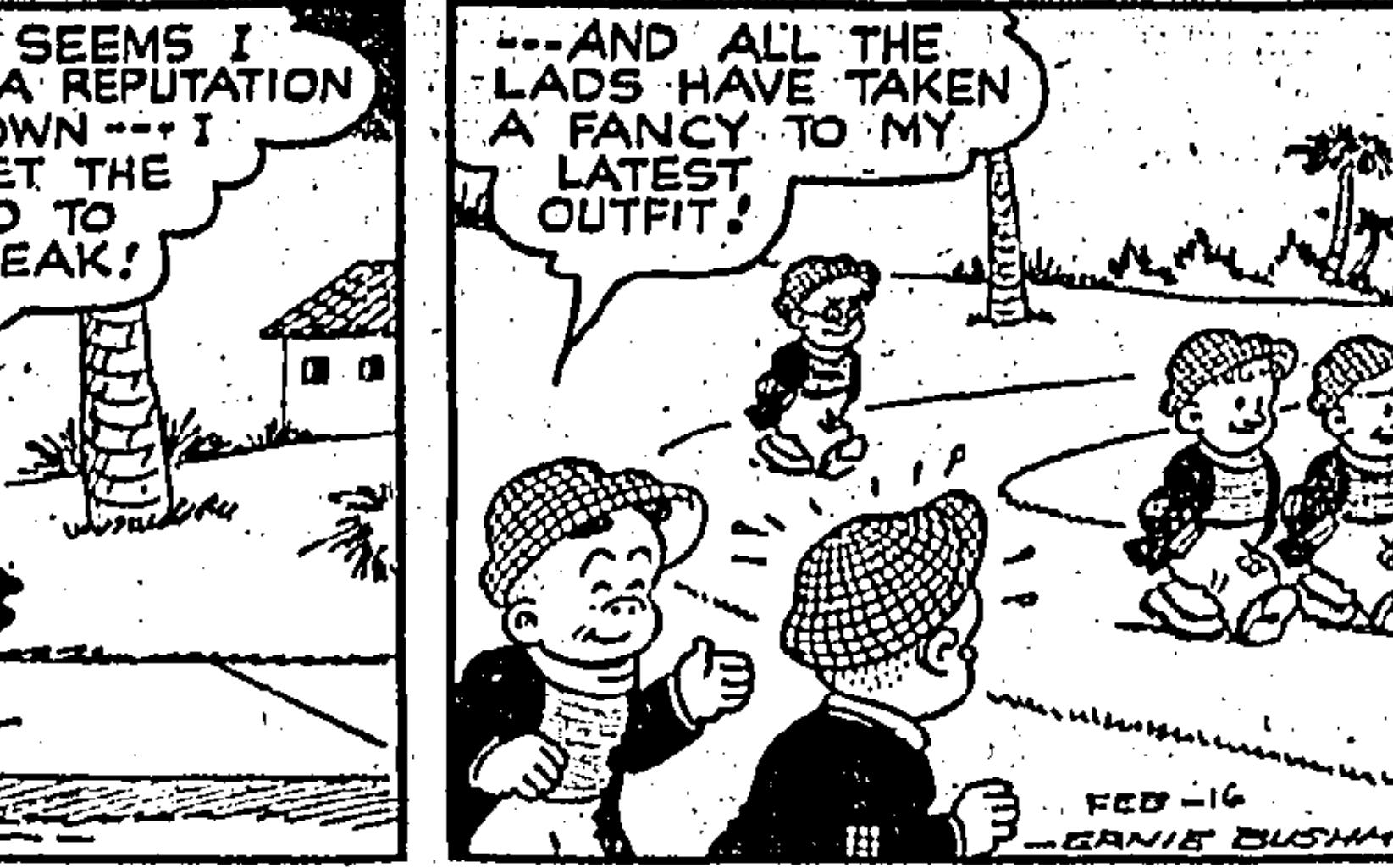
NOT ALL REPAIRS

Money spent on ground improvements is taxed, but not money spent on repairs or maintenance. If a club spends say £5,000 on improving and repairing a stand they cannot say that £5,000 was spent on repairs.

The master would have to agree with the local income-tax inspector, who might say: "All right, we'll put down £1,000 for repairs, the other £4,000 for improvements. You'll have to pay full tax on the £4,000."

Thus you get the crazy position of "Wolves selling a player for £6,000, £27,000, £8,000 or £20,000, or what have you—and being in pocket less than three-quarters of

By Ernie Bushmiller



## CLUBS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETINGS

## Filipino Club

An amendment to the constitution of the Filipino Club, was passed at the annual general meeting held at the Club House, King's Park, yesterday. As a result an entrance fee of \$2 will be charged new members in the future. Mr. R. Lasala, President of the Club, presided.

Mr. L. R. Ildefonso, Hon. Secretary, read the following report:

The Accounts for the last eight months show an excess of income over expenditure of \$1,265.00.

The total membership as at December 31, 1938, is 96, including two life members. During the period under review, the Committee record with keen regret the demise of Mr. H. Castro, one of the Club's founders and many times its President.

Rizal's Birthday and Commonwealth Day were celebrated with great success at the Club House. A tea party was given by the Club to the Hon. Sergio Osmeña, Vice President of the Philippines Commonwealth and Head of the Delegation to Washington, D.C., on October 19, 1938, which was well attended. A tea party was also held at the Club House on September 4, 1938, at which the tennis and ping pong prizes were distributed.

The Club House is in good condition. There is still a balance of \$1,100 outstanding as loans and \$1,030 in debentures.

The following were the officers elected for the current year. Dr. V. N. Atienza, President; Mr. R. Ildefonso, Vice-President; Mr. H. A. Paulino, Hon. Secretary; Mr. E. J. Porter, Hon. Treasurer.

Messrs. R. J. Mamalac, R. Bass, A. C. Reyes, R. Lasala, W. V. Field,

Mr. M. J. Rull and Mr. A. P. Castro were appointed as the Club's auditors.

Mr. R. Lasala and Dr. V. N. Atienza were elected honorary life members of the Club.

## Chinese R. C.

A satisfactory year of activity was reported at the annual general meeting of the Chinese Recreation Club, held at the Club House, Causeway Bay, yesterday. Mr. Lau Fook-kei was in the Chair, supported by Mr. Wong Kwee-ting, (Hon. Secretary), and Mr. Lai Ping-fan (Hon. Treasurer). About 40 members were present.

The Club was stated to be in a

sound financial position with a balance of several thousands of dollars in hand.

The team representing the Club won the "A", "B", "C" and Mixed Doubles Divisions of the Tennis League during the year under review. The Colony doubles championship had also been annexed by Tsui Wan-pui and Tsui Yen-pui, members of the Club.

It was decided that the whole Club house be refurbished, and also that some hard courts for tennis be provided, in the coming year.

The following were elected to serve on the Club's Committee this season: Messrs. Wong Kuk-fong, Lee Wal-tong, Lau Fook-kei, Ho Kan-ku, Ng Sze-kwong, Chu Chiu-wo, Ho Kan-ku, Iu Tak-cheuk, Chan Yin, Iu Tak-ku, Iu Sze-wing, Szeto Black, Tyau Tsok-him, Wong Ping-fan and Lai Ping-fan.

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## GARDEN TOOLS...



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Fork's and  
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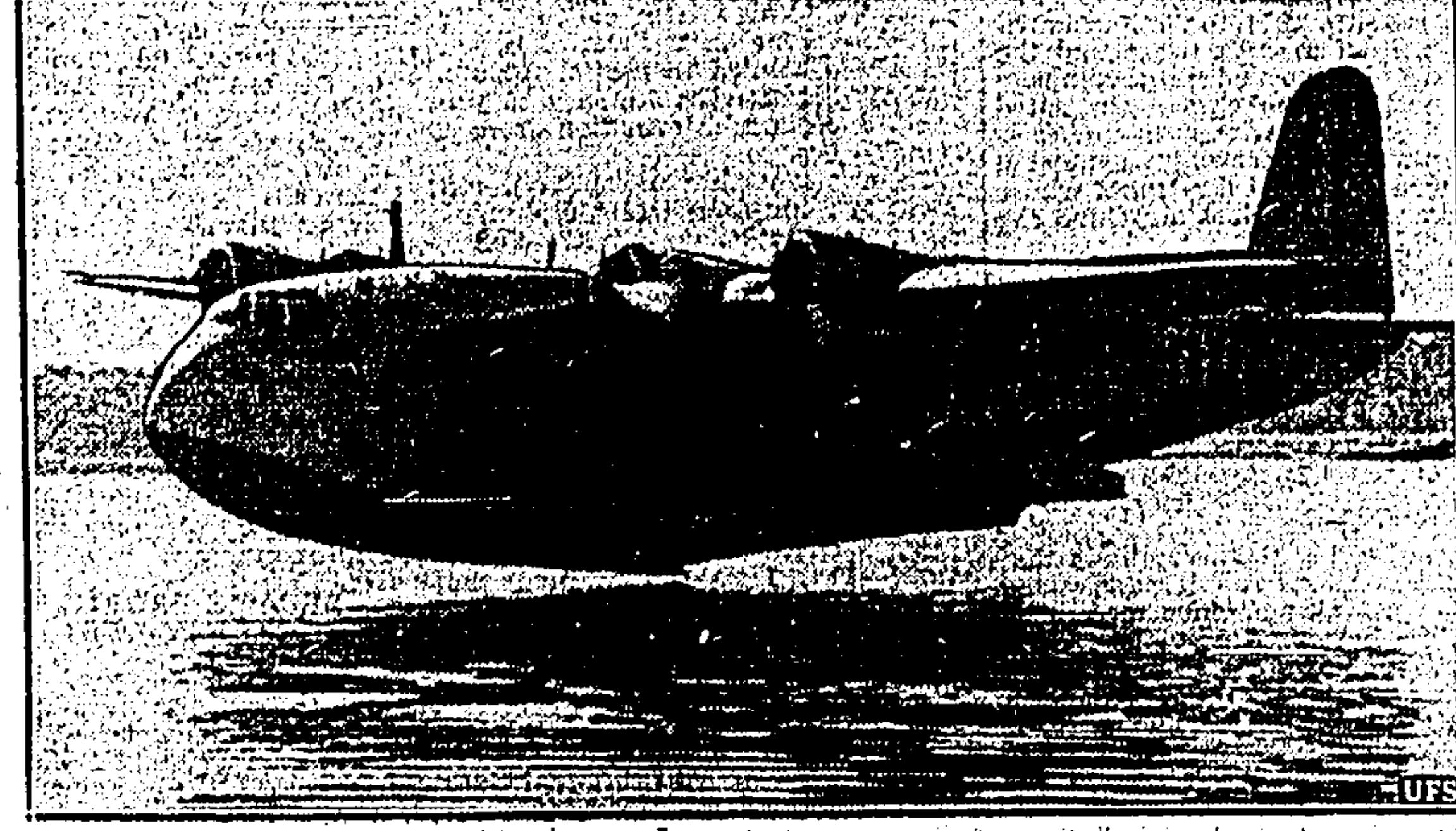
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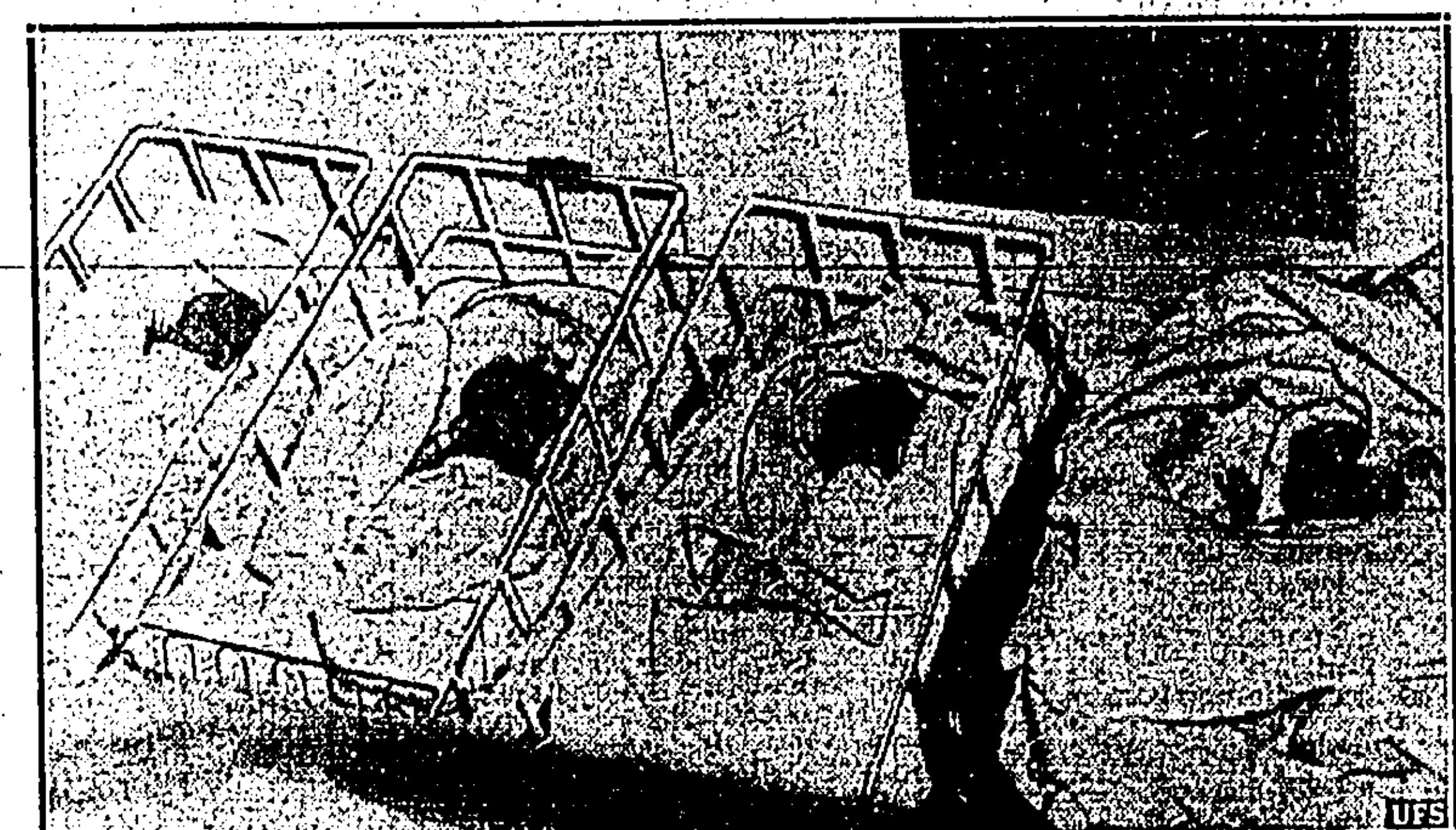
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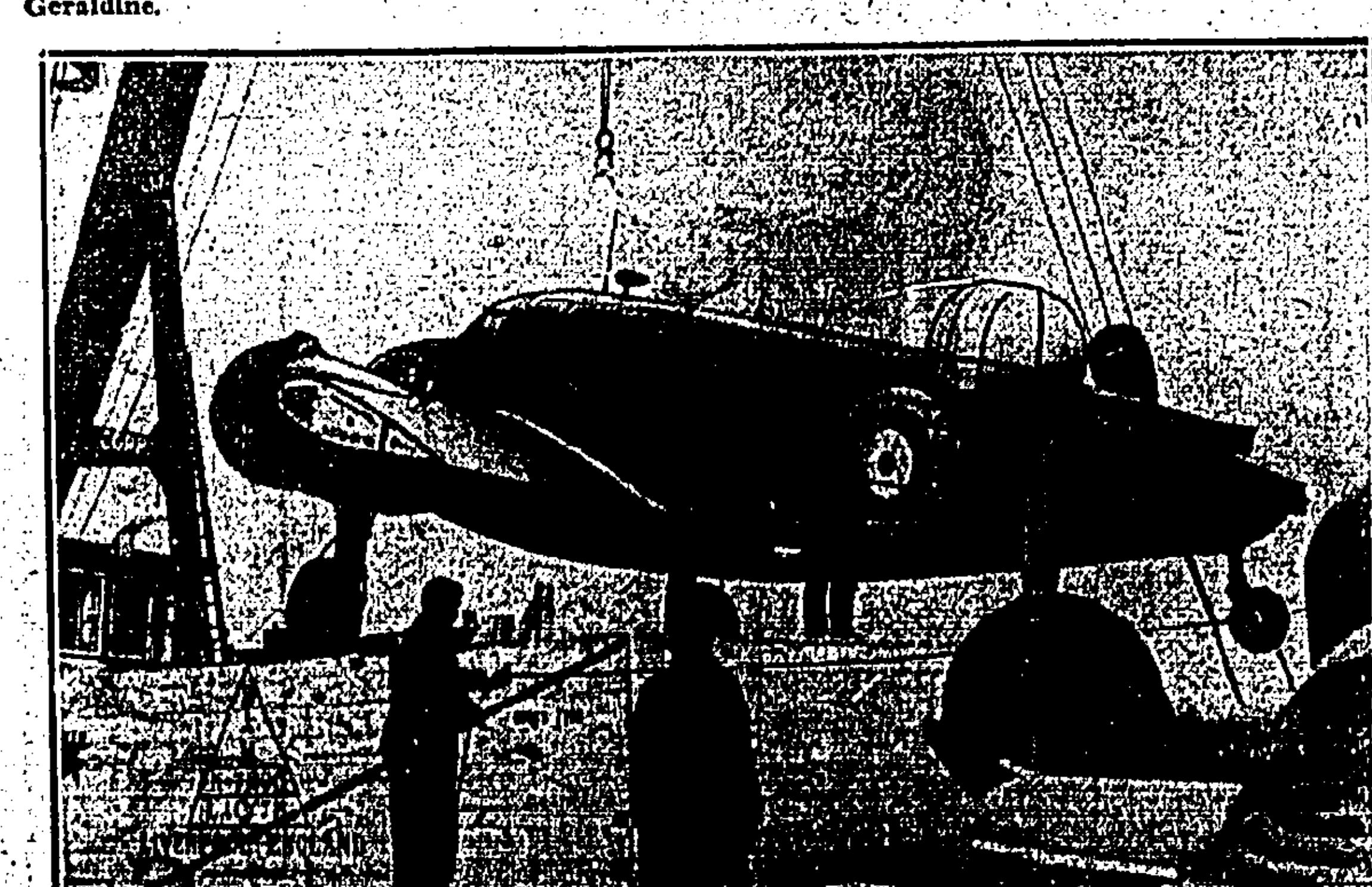
British Prime Minister Chamberlain was feted, cheered and dined in Rome, on his recent visit to Premier Mussolini, but no international problems were settled. Above, the Prime Minister is at right, at a reception given in his honour. Mussolini is at left, with Italian Foreign Minister Ciano, centre.



Here is the 21-ton flying boat 'Cavalier', of the Imperial Airways, that crashed down on the Atlantic and was swallowed in 10 minutes, while en route from New York to Bermuda. Ice in the carburettors was believed to have made the ship drop to the ocean.



Papa W. E. Badgett, 35, of Galveston, Texas, was a little stunned but happy, when his wife presented him with quadruplet daughters. The babies were named Joyce, Jeannette, Joan and Geraldine.



First of 250 Lockheed bombers scheduled for British Air Service is loaded on a barge at Floyd Bennett Field, New York, for transfer to a British ship. President Roosevelt recently said it was necessary to sell planes to France and Britain.

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